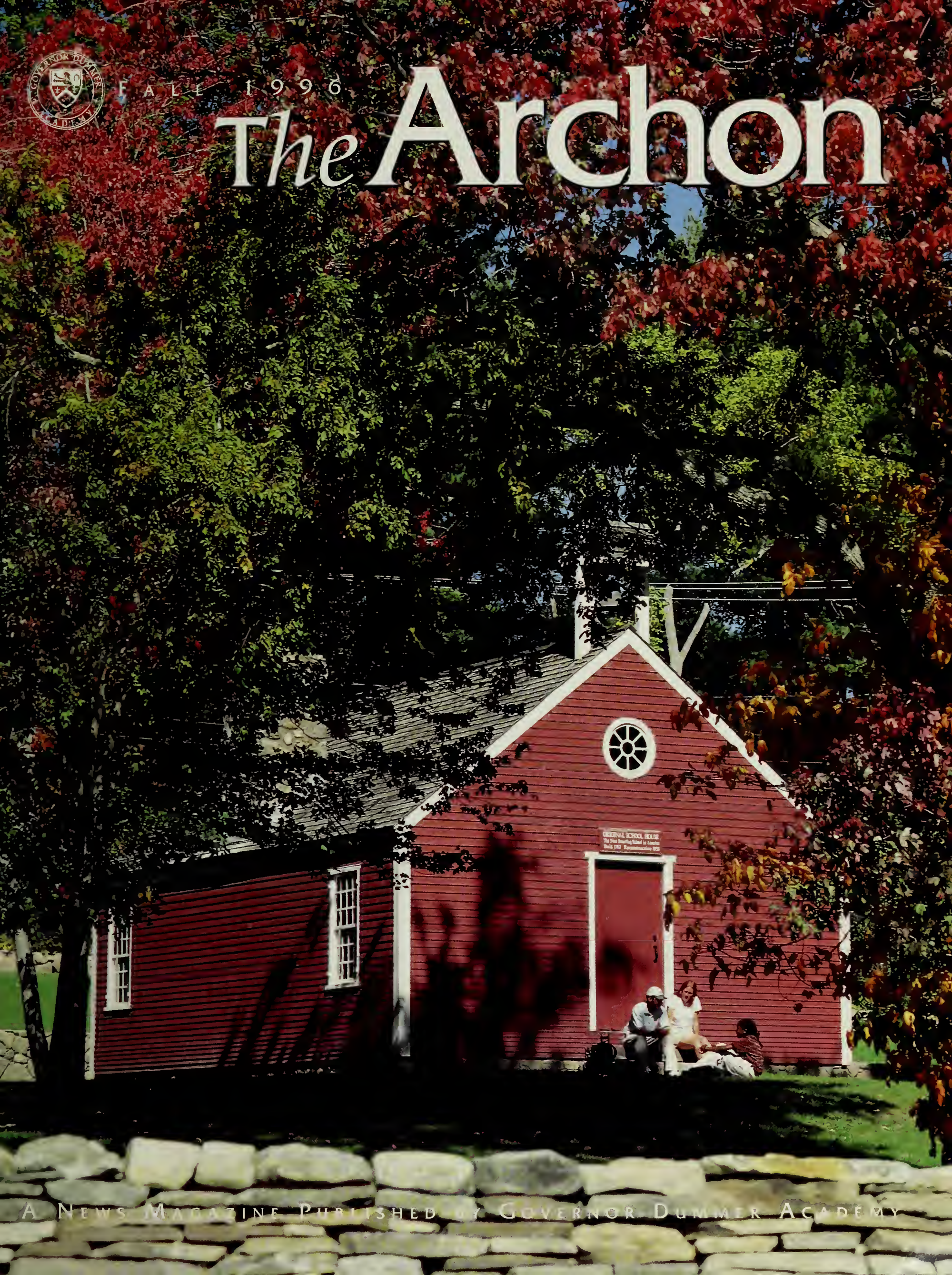




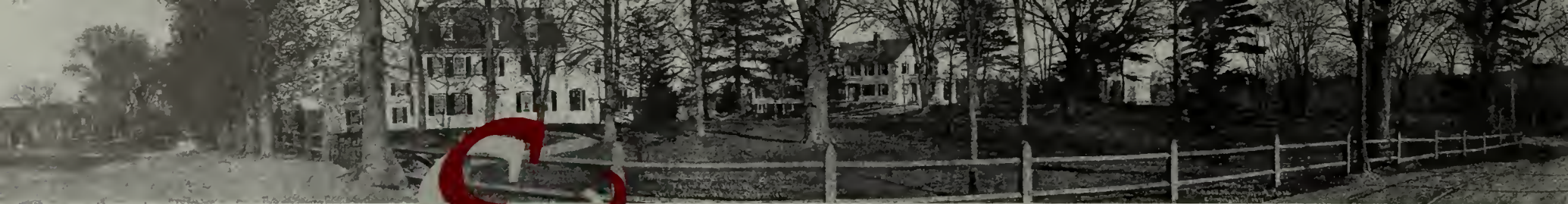
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# then & now

## The Little Red Schoolhouse

**A**s the Governor Dummer Academy undergoes a major "growth spurt" with the addition of the Pescosolido Library and the Mathematics-Science Center, these archival photographs provide some perspective on the some of the other changes the campus has made during previous eras. The first photo, supplied by Russ Hamilton '27, was taken in 1922 and shows the "Moody House Club." The club members, all residents of the dormitory, included members of the Academy's "junior school," which was discontinued around the beginning of the 1930s. The boys pictured -- identified by Gerry May '26 (front row, second from left) are (front row, l-r) "Nick" Carter, May, "Pinky" Sloan, "Shrimp" Dana; (second, row l-r) Ralph Sleeper, Jim Stone, Elvin Cox, Bill Verby, Arthur Eakins; (third row, l-r) "Sow" Summers, John English, Bob Haley, Hamilton, George Phillips; (fourth row, l-r) Housemaster Mr. Roberts and Paul Simonds.



Below that are three photographs showing the evolution of the Little Red Schoolhouse and its environs.

Below right is an undated photograph that shows the Schoolhouse before its 1938 restoration to its original details. Note the diamond-shaped window and the large belfry, as well as the lack of surrounding structures.

At left, in this 1961 photo, are "New Old-Guardsman" David Williams and student Ken Pouch '62. Alumni Gymnasium, by then a decade old, is visible in the background. The bottom photograph, circa 1953-54 shows a group of unidentified boys on the lacrosse field, with Perkins, the Schoolhouse and Moody as backdrop, side by side along the rim of the Bowl.

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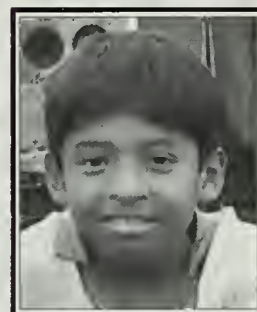
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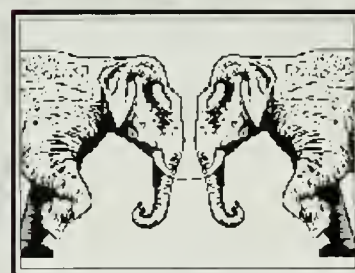
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## Speaking Volumes

April 20, 1996

Having learned that there will be a new library at GDA, my parents and I couldn't help ourselves, but to donate some books. I have always wanted to introduce my country, Korea, to my fellow students and teachers at GDA.

I had desired to send more books on Korea than the number of books that I am sending with this shipment. However, I found only a handful of books on Korea that will generate interest, I believe, to students and teachers. I will continue my best effort to donate more to the library, as well as to as to the school, in coming years.

On a personal note, I am working for Tong Yang Global Corporation in Seoul. Tong Ynag Global is a commercial trading firm acting as a business pioneer looking to expand into areas other than the financial services business for the Tong Yang Group, Korea's 19<sup>th</sup> largest conglomerate. If anyone has any interesting business ideas, please do contact me.

Thanks for giving me an opportunity to contribute to enhance GDA's education. I hope to see you in Korea.

Truly yours,  
Jiseop Yoon '85

## Parting Thanks

June 6, 1996

Dear teachers and counselors,

Thank you each for your skills and joy and love of teaching. Raymond's love for learning has flourished while he has attended GDA.

To each of you who has cared enough to give your best, you have nourished the seed of who he will be, and we thank you.

Yet we thank you most for allowing Raymond to be Raymond.

Love,  
Rev. Adrienne Berry Long P'96  
and family

## Fond Memories

September 8, 1996

I thought you would want to know that we still think fondly of the Academy. Barak ('94) sends his regards. He's at New England College. Hope this is a great year for all.

Sincerely,  
Richard C. Kimball P'94

October 15, 1996

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Bragdon,

Thank you for hosting such a fine reception at your home. Our son has spoken favorably about his Saturday nights in your home. It is such a nice idea, and most generous of you both to open your home as a safe haven to the young adults.

Todd is happy at GDA, and we continue to be favorably impressed with each visit. The sun was shining, everyone was smiling, and we hated to leave! Until our next visit, thank you again.

Pam and Craig Bolint P'99

October 12, 1996

Probably you already know that Chunbai ('94) is studying at Pembroke College of Oxford University now. He flew to London last Sunday (October 6, 1996) after he had worked at N.I.H. for a long summer job from June 1 to October 5. He wrote in GDA's summer news correspondence card about his N.I.H. job and one year study abroad in London.

While we are proud of our son, we appreciate the successful

education provided by GDA. We will take advantage of this letter to express our sincere appreciation to GDA and its faculty.

Sincerely,  
Kangmin and Yizhi Zhang P'94

## Mark Your Calendar!

Don't forget to save these very important dates:

*The Second Annual  
Holiday Gathering*  
December 12

at the  
Harvard Club, Boston

*San Francisco  
Reception*  
January 16

*GDA Phonathons*  
Portland, ME  
February 24 and 25

Boston  
February 25 and 26

New York  
March 3

Byfield  
March 4 and 5

Details on all these events will be forthcoming. For further information, please contact the Alumni/ae and Development Office at (508) 465-1763 or by e-mail at [alumni@gda.org](mailto:alumni@gda.org).



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## HEADMASTER'S MESSAGE



# A

t gray dawn on July 8, the roaring of diesel motors and the grinding of gears announced the arrival of trucks, bulldozers and backhoes arriving at the sites of the Pescosolido Library above Sager Bowl and the mathematics-science building behind the Schumann Science Center.

Now in early October, the foundations have been poured and new convoys of material will come through the dawn before the academic day begins. Each day's activity provides sounds of progress, sounds of hammers, drills and motors with the accompanying scents of diesel and gasoline exhaust. Purposeful men and women in white construction helmets create the transition from plans to reality. Patterns previously seen on plans now appear in cement and steel. As these patterns evolve, the footprints of these buildings seem to grow in size.

The curve of the main reading room of the library now faces Navins Baseball Field. The locations of the laboratories now rise from the slope above Route 1 and the salt marshes beyond.

Away from the activity of the construction sites, the Little Red Schoolhouse, nestled into an orchard, greets visitors to the school; Moody House rests upon a new basement and common room near Evans Cottage; and now, 100 feet towards Parsons, "Uncle Tom's Cabin" continues to be vital as a computer room. Each structure rests upon remarkable masonry which creates an impression of permanence in its new location.

The launching of our 234th year brings students by these enclosed sites. The construction of these buildings is for them. The buildings are tools for the mastery curriculum of Governor Dummer: they provide space for study, experiments and research, space for students to participate in the act of discovery. Even incomplete, these buildings make a statement that Governor Dummer is committed to providing the best possible environment for learning.

The buildings form a confluence of dreams, unyielding determination, already sizable gifts and a Governor Dummer which has chosen to operate at the forefront of educational practices. As Governor Dummer is about to enter its fourth century, the construction of these buildings forms a source of confidence, hope and triumph.

*Peter W. Bragdon*





## SEVEN NEW MEMBERS JOIN GDA FACULTY FOR THE 234TH ACADEMIC YEAR

The Governor Dummer Academy faculty has added seven new members, including a new Assistant Headmaster and a new Director of Admissions, as the Academy begins its 234<sup>th</sup> academic year. Headmaster Peter W. Bragdon said, "I am very pleased and proud to welcome these new and highly qualified members to the great tradition of the GDA faculty, which has always been the great strength of this school."

Governor Dummer's English Department welcomes new members Maud S. Hamovit, Jeannette P. Sedgwick and Joel Wesley Taplin. Hamovit graduated from Vassar College in 1979 and earned a master's degree in Anglo-Irish Literature from University College in Dublin, Ireland, in 1982. She comes to GDA from Kents Hill School in Kents Hill, Maine, where she was on the faculty for 13 years. At Kents Hill, Hamovit also served as head of the English Department and a tutor for the learning center there. She also was a dormitory parent, director of drama productions and coordinator of the school's Big Brother and Big Sister program. Her coaching duties included girls basketball and lacrosse. At GDA, she will coach women's varsity lacrosse. Hamovit lives in Peirce Under with her husband Lloyd and their two children, Rory and Nora.

Jeannette P. Sedgwick brings more than seven years of teaching experience to the Academy. She earned a B.A. from Bucknell University in 1988 and an M.A. from the University of Rochester in 1994. She taught at the New Hampton School in Hampton, NH, from 1989 to 1991; the University of Rochester as part of her graduate

studies; Maumee Valley Country Day School of Toledo, OH, since 1993; and the University of Toledo Community and Technical College since 1994. Sedgwick is coaching women's junior varsity soccer and coordinating the community service program. She is housed in Commons.

Joel Wesley Taplin joins the GDA faculty as part of a job sharing program with master English teacher Sally Jarrett. Taplin was educated at Westminster School and St. Michael's College, where he received a bachelor's degree in English in 1995. He taught English and coached hockey, football and lacrosse at Eaglebrook School last year. This year, Taplin and Jarrett will split their teaching and afternoon program duties. Taplin will work with

the drama program this fall. He lives off campus.

Eloise P. Lawrence, who graduated *magna cum laude* from Groton School in 1991 and graduated with honors in American history from Stanford University in 1995, joins the History Department this year. Lawrence has interned for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and an agricultural development agency in the Chile's Patagonia region. In the summer of 1995, Lawrence was awarded a fellowship from the Haas Center for Public Service to support her work for The Little House, a Dorchester-based community outreach program. Lawrence is coaching the junior varsity field hockey team. She resides in Phillips.

H. Lee Harrell is the most recent addition to the Science Department faculty. Harrell holds both a B.S. (1990) and an M.S. (1993) in biology from Wake Forest University, where he also served as a teaching assistant. Before beginning his teaching career at the Brandon Hall School in Atlanta, GA, in 1995, Harrell spent a year in the Ph.D. program at the Bowman Gray School of Medicine in Winston-Salem, NC, studying molecular and cellular pathobiology. He lives in Commons and will coach men's thirds basketball and



**New addition:** Looking as if it had always been there, the new addition to Perkins Dormitory's southern end was completed this summer. It houses two faculty apartments and six student rooms, more than compensating for the loss of Mason Cottage. (See "GDA's Campus on the Move" in this issue.)

## ELEVEN NAMED AP SCHOLARS BY COLLEGE BOARD

Eleven Governor Dummer Academy students, all of them members of the class of 1996, have been named AP Scholars by the College Board in recognition of their exceptional achievement on the college-level Advanced Placement (AP) Examinations.

The College Board recognizes several levels of achievement based on

the number of year-long courses and exams (or their equivalent semester-long courses and exams). At GDA, two students qualified for the AP Scholar with Honor Award by earning grades of 3 or above on four or more AP Examinations, with an average exam grade or at least 3.25 on a 5-point scale. These students are Julia Gutin and Toban Szuts. Nine students qualified for

the AP Scholar Award by completing three or more AP exams, with grades of 3 or higher. These students are Lauren Abernathy, Gabrielle Coffin, Jeffrey Gilberg, Clinton Gilbert, Helen Leung, Matthew Nacol, Valerie Oriol, Zoltan Szuts and Boonsit Yimwadsana.

Approximately 54 percent of America's graduating seniors took one or more AP Examinations this year. Fewer than 12 percent of the 537,000 students who took AP exams in May performed at a sufficiently high level to merit such recognition.



## GDA TRADES GOLF COURSE LAND, RIGHTS FOR \$1 MILLION

junior varsity baseball.

As reported in the spring edition of *The Archon*, new Assistant Headmaster Edward C. Young '73 comes to GDA from St. Mark's School of Texas, where he was director of admissions and financial aid since 1986. During his tenure there, he also taught history, government and physical education. He held several administrative positions with A Better Chance from 1981 to 1986, was assistant director of undergraduate admission for Tufts University in 1980-81 and assistant director of admissions at Middlebury College from 1977 to 1980. A 1977 graduate of Middlebury College, Young earned a master of liberal arts degree at Southern Methodist University, Dallas, in 1994. Young is married to Sheila McDowell Young, and they are the parents of two children: Eddie, 13, and Kristina, 12. They live on Faculty Lane.

Also noted in the last issue was the appointment of Admissions Director Peter K. Werner. He is a *magna cum laude* graduate of Groton School who earned a B.A. in economics, *cum laude*, from Yale University in 1981 and currently is a candidate for an M.A.L.S. in humanities from Wesleyan University. Werner was director of annual giving and alumni/ae relations, as well as a dormitory parent and coach for The Williston Northampton School from 1993 to 1995. Earlier, Werner was vice president for money market trading at Lehman Brothers, vice president for syndication and trading for The First Boston Corporation and vice president for money market trading for Dean Witter Reynolds, Inc., all in New York City. He lives in Perkins with his wife Kelly.

The Academy has received \$1 million from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Fisheries and Wildlife in exchange for 263 acres of land adjacent to the Ould Newbury Golf Club.

The land, part of the original Dummer estate, will be maintained in its natural state in perpetuity, according to the agreement between GDA and the Commonwealth. The agreement also states that the Academy will permanently refrain from further development of the existing Ould Newbury Golf Club land.

The Commonwealth, which

already owns 1,960 acres of the adjacent saltmarsh land, had sought this piece of land to complete a contiguous preserve between Rowley and Newburyport.

"The Academy is indebted to Trustee Shirley French (P'76) for bringing GDA and the Commonwealth together for this transaction, which benefits both the environment and Governor Dummer," said Board President Daniel M. Morgan '67, P'97. Proceeds from the land, Morgan added, will "go directly into the Academy's endowment to ensure the education of our children for the years ahead."

## BOARD "ADVANCES" ON ACADEMY PRIORITIES

The Academy's Board of Trustees convened a special session in Woodstock, VT, during the summer to address issues including long-range strategic planning and capital needs.

This first-ever summer meeting of the full board, Headmaster Peter W. Bragdon and other administrators had the objective of "re-establishing our priorities and making sure that all the Trustees and administrators are on the same path," said GDA Board President Daniel M. Morgan '67, P'97. Among the central topics of the "summer advance" – so named by Trustee Dodge D. Morgan '50, P'92,

because the Academy never "retreats" – was a zero-based examination of student life being undertaken by a committee chaired by Trustee Donald Werner and Dean of Students Lynda Bromley.

"Especially in light of changes in the Board's leadership and the fact that our usual meetings don't allow for extended discussion, the Woodstock meeting was extremely beneficial," said the Board president, who added that he expects that the positive effects of the event will continue to be felt by the Trustees and the greater Academy for some time to come.

## STUDENTS SCORE ON NATIONAL LATIN EXAM

Fourteen Governor Dummer Academy students have been recognized for their outstanding achievements on the 1996 National Latin Exam.

The National Latin Exam Committee recognizes students at three levels of achievement for their exam performance: Maxima Cum Laude,

Magna Cum Laude and Cum Laude.

Receiving Maxima Cum Laude certificates and silver medals were Kevin McDormand '98 and Patricia Waters '99 in Latin 2 and Toban Szuts '96 in Latin 3.

Magna Cum Laude certificates were presented to Christina Coppolino '99, Jesse Taylor '98 and Jillian Horgan '99 in Latin 1 and Joo-Hoon Song '97, Jamie Notopoulos '98 and Evan McEwing '98 in Latin 2.

Cum Laude certificates were earned by Trevor Meyer '97 in Latin 2, Kate McCullough '96, Kate Muxie '97 and Jamin Scribner '97 in Latin 3 and Jeffrey Gilberg '96 in Latin 4.

More than 93,000 students from all 50 states and nine countries took the exam, which consists of questions about grammar, vocabulary, ancient Roman life and mythology and a short Latin passage for translation.

## SEMINAR PROGRAM LOOKS AT -- WHAT ELSE? -- POLITICS

Everything is Politics and Politics is Everything" is the theme of the new academic year's Interdisciplinary Seminars, directed by Arts Department Chair Christopher Stowens.

Students and faculty members participating in the seminars will view films including *Network*, *Casablanca*, *Bob*

*Roberts*, *Dr. Strangelove* and *The Manchurian Candidate* and then discuss them from the perspectives of various academic disciplines, including history and art. Students, who are required to apply for admission to the ungraded seminar program, receive a weight added to their grade-point averages for their participation.



## NEW TECHNOLOGY "RINGING" CAMPUS

The GDA campus made major technological strides this fall as a new telephone system and expanded Internet access were introduced, offering all students and faculty members voice mail, e-mail and 'Web browsing capabilities. The Academy expanded its existing administrative computer network over the summer, laying underground conduit to connect the Phillips Building to other buildings ringing the Quad for purposes of voice,

data and video communications. The computers in the Frost computer lab also were replaced with more powerful models that permit students to access the Internet and send and receive e-mail from that location. In early October, a new central telephone switch was installed on campus, providing for direct-dialing capability as well as voice mail for all students and faculty members. The Academy's technology systems will continue to expand

through a phased two-year plan to connect every office, faculty apartment and student room to the school's voice, data, video and security networks.

## GDA HEADS FOR MARTINIQUE

GDA master French teachers David and Laurel Abusamra will lead an educational and cultural trip to the French island of Martinique during March break.

The tentative itinerary includes visits to the old capital of St. Pierre, the birthplace of Josephine Bonaparte, a sugar cane museum and a pineapple and banana plantation. The nine-day, eight-night trip beginning March 7 includes hotel (accommodations in double rooms), airfare, full breakfasts, tours and all transfers.

Enrollment is limited to 15 students. The total cost for the trip is \$1,650. A 50 percent deposit is due December 1, and the balance is due January 15. For more information, please call David or Laurel Abusamra at (508) 465-1763.



**On the bench:** (from left) Juniors Brooke Peltzman and Kate Katzenberg enjoy a quiet moment outside the Phillips Building with Maggie and Arthur Katzenberg PP '71, GP '98 during Grandparents' Day '96 in May.

## VERNON, STUDENT WORK ON DISPLAY IN YOUNGMAN GALLERY

The Carl Youngman Gallery of GDA's Kaiser Visual Arts Center will feature an exhibit entitled "New Works" by Alexandra Vernon November 8 through December 13.

Vernon, a Newburyport-based artist who began drawing and painting as a child in Buenos Aires, works in mixed media to create still life collages. An opening reception will be held Friday, November 8, from 6 to 8 p.m. The year's first student art show will run from January 17 through February 21, 1997.

The exhibits follow two successful fall shows: Elizabeth and Pierre Baratelli's collection of art from the Southwest, and "New England Country Life," a series of new works by Elizabeth Leary '88.

The Gallery is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Saturdays and Sundays by appointment.

## ACADEMY PLAYERS TO PRESENT SHAKESPEARE'S "DREAM"

The Academy Players will present William Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream* November 8 and 9.

The production is directed by master English teachers Paul Wann and Joel Wesley Taplin with the assistance of Melissa Rosen '97 and Tania Hamboyan '00. The play features

Andrew Titcomb as Egeus, Sarah Koken '98 as Hermia, Jason Carrier '97 as Oberon, Brandi Hall '97 as Titania, Peter Wesson '98 as Demetrius, Jordan Miller '97 as Lysander, Brian Marvin '97 as Bottom and Jenna Wells '00 as Puck. The two performances will be held in Thompson Performing Arts Center starting at 6:30.

**Piece of the rock:** The lower athletic fields (behind the Frost Rink) were officially named in honor of retiring master teacher Bob Anderson in May. Anderson, who joined the GDA faculty in 1957, had a stellar career as a lacrosse coach and athletic director during his 39 years at GDA. The plaque (right), mounted on large rock beside the fields, reads: The Robert E. Anderson Lower Fields. Named in honor of "Andy," who so ably served the Academy in the capacities of teacher, coach and athletic director from 1957 to 1996. Dedicated May 30, 1996."





## BOARD GIFTS, YOUNG ALUMNI/AE CHALLENGE LEAD ANNUAL FUND TO STRONG START

**A**n early commitment from the Academy's Board of Trustees, a generous challenge gift, a highly successful first annual Leadership Society Dinner and a well-attended Homecoming all have contributed to a strong start for the 1996-97 Annual Fund.

The Trustees locked in their Annual Fund pledges and gifts in

advance of their first meeting of the 1996-97 year, and Annual Giving Director Betsy Winder says she expects their enthusiasm to be "very contagious." "The Board's commitment, representing more than 20 percent of this year's goal of \$725,000, sends a clear signal to all alumni/ae, parents and friends regarding the importance of Governor Dummer's annual giving program," Winder said.

Trustees and co-Development Committee chairs Carrie (Walton) Penner '88 and Put Flint '37 GP'99 have announced that they will provide a \$10,000 challenge to encourage gifts from members of the graduating classes of 1981 to 1996. According to the terms of the Young Alumni/ae Challenge, Penner and Flint will match every new and increased gift from this group to a total of \$10,000.

More than 135 Annual Fund donors and volunteers from last year attended the Leadership Society Dinner and Homecoming on September 27 and 28. The donors, who made leadership gifts to the Annual Fund last year, were honored for their support, and Class Agents Flint and Dan Morgan '67 P'97 received awards for delivering the highest participation and highest dollar amounts from their classes, respectively.

Winder said one of the goals of the year's Annual Fund drive is participation. This year's goal of 1,763 alumni/ae donors represents approximately 37 percent of the total alumni/ae body. Also planned for this year's effort are greater fund-raising involvement from the Alumni/ae Council and phonathons in New York, Boston, Byfield and Los Angeles.



**Parents:** Tom Carroll P'96'98 (left), who chairs the 1996-97 Parents' Fund with his wife Nancy, chats with John Pear '96 at the first annual Leadership Society Dinner in October.

## GDA STUDENTS TAKE ON WORLD DIVERSITY QUESTIONS IN "GAMES"

**G**overnor Dummer students created a microcosm of the world and attempted to solve the intricate problems of human diversity on October 25 as the Academy played host to the World Games Institute. The World Game, a constructive and creative alternative to war games that was created by American architect and inventor Buckminster Fuller, asks students to represent social, political and financial interests of specific world regions. GDA freshmen and sophomores participated in the exercise, which took place on a gymnasium-size map of the world, and were asked to manage resources including food, energy, literacy, money and debt allocated according to real-world statistics. Presented by the non-profit World Games Institute, the workshop was a joint project of the Academy's English and History departments.

## DAVIS FOUNDATION MAKES \$50,000 GRANT

**G**overnor Dummer Academy has received a \$50,000 grant from the Davis Family Foundation of Falmouth, ME. The foundation, created by the family of late GDA alumnus Howard Davis '56 and run by trustees including George Lord '39, invited the Academy to submit a capital request. After making a proposal that outlined plans for Governor Dummer's capital projects, the Academy received notification that the foundation had approved the request, expressing particular interest in the new library.

"We are particularly grateful to the Davis Family Foundation for its gift," said Headmaster Peter W. Bragdon. "The generosity demonstrated by the foundation's trustees is valuable to the Academy, both in terms of dollars and in encouraging others to make similar gifts." The construction and endowment of the two buildings – the largest project in the Academy's history – is expected to cost nearly \$15 million. To date, GDA has received gifts and pledges of \$7.3 million toward that total.

## ALUMS, FACULTY, STUDENTS VISIT GREECE

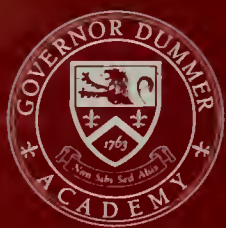
**T**wenty-nine Governor Dummer Academy faculty members, students and alums made a ten-day cultural and educational trip to Greece in June.

GDA master English teachers Wally Rowe and Richard Searles led the 23 students from all four classes, and alums Kim Grillo '84, John Markos '94 and Amanda Hirsch '94 on the trip to Athens, Mycenae, Delphi, Parnassos and a cruise to Myconos, Rhodes and Patmos.

**GDA in Greece:** Seven GDA students pose on the temple mount at Delphi with Parnassos in the background. Pictured (L-R) are (front row) Michael Silverio '96, Andrew Titcomb '97, Eric Bornhofft '97, Ji Hoon Hwang '96 and (back row) Tom Gallagher '97 and Alec Stewart '98.







# Long and Carroll Earn Top Honors

**R**aymond Moses Long and Lauren Elizabeth Carroll were awarded Governor Dummer Academy's highest awards at the Academy's 233rd commencement exercises on June 6 and 7.

Joshua L. Miner P'69, GP'96'98, founding trustee of Outward Bound U.S.A., presented the Commencement address. Recounting the origins of Outward Bound, Miner said that research has proved that people gain unexpected strength and endurance through "getting their minds off themselves" and helping others. He urged the graduates to heed the Academy's motto, "*Non sibi sed aliis*," (Not for self, but for others), to discover their true capabilities.

Miner attended Phillips Exeter Academy before entering the military service during World War II, earning decorations that included the croix de guerre for bravery. Because he failed American history, however, Miner never received an Exeter diploma. In recognition of this fact, as well as Miner's subsequent accomplishments, Headmaster Peter W. Bragdon presented Miner with Governor Dummer Academy's first-ever honorary diploma.

Long, who is from Lynn, was named recipient of the Morse Flag as "the senior whose record in all respects meets the highest approval of the faculty." Long also was presented the Goodwin Athletic Prize. In his four-year career at GDA, Long was named an All-Independent School League player and "Most Valuable Player" of the football team, two-year letter winner and tri-captain of the basketball team and four-year letter winner, M.V.P., I.S.L. Boston Globe All-Scholas-

tic award winner and co-captain of the track team. A High Honor Roll student and member of the Cum Laude Society, Long was awarded the Memorial Mathematics Prize after his junior year. He also received a commendation from the National Merit Scholarship Corporation.

He is attending Dartmouth College.

Carroll received the Academy Prize as "the senior whose unselfishness and sportsmanship has best exemplified the spirit of the school." A consistent Honor Roll student, she was awarded the Peter Marshall French Trophy after her sophomore year and the Columbia University Book Award after her junior year. The Topsfield native was a four-year member of the varsity field hockey, lacrosse and varsity ice hockey teams and was involved in numerous Community Service projects. She is attending Dartmouth College.

Zoltan Bela Szuts of Byfield was awarded the



**Speaker:** Joshua L. Miner (above). At right, new graduates perform the rite of jumping the Mansion House wall.



**Top Awards:** Headmaster Peter W. Bragdon presents the Morse Flag to Raymond M. Long '96 and the Academy Prize to Lauren E. Carroll.





Thorndike Hilton Cup as the ranking scholar in the senior class. The award was established by the class of 1919 in memory of their classmate Thorndike Hilton. Szuts consistently distinguished himself in all of his academic and artistic endeavors. As a musician, Szuts went, in the words of Fine Arts Department head Christopher Stowens, "further than any in his class toward combining intellect with intuition, the two key elements that turn art into fine art." Szuts will spend a year abroad before attending Oberlin College.

The Peter Marshall French Trophy was awarded to Jorge Armando Flores of Los Angeles, CA. The inscription on the award reads, "...to a student whose perseverance, sportsmanship and generous spirit on the playing field, regardless of distinction as an athlete, represent the highest standards of participation." A graduating senior, Flores was a letter-winning member of the football and wrestling teams. A High Honor Roll student and a member of the Cum Laude Society, Flores also received the Cumings Prize for "contributing to the welfare of the school." He is attending Stanford University.

Kathryn Ann Renna of Newburyport received the 1996 Alumni/ae Association Award, which is given "to that student

who has shown community spirit and concern within the Academy during the senior year, thereby recognizing the recipient for qualities of awareness of others and of humanity, which over the years have continued as part of the Governor Dummer Academy tradition." Renna was a member of the Social Committee and Students Against Drunk Driving, a four-year tour guide and a proctor. She served on Red Key since her freshman year and taught kindergarten at the Brown School in Newburyport for her Senior Spring Term Project. She also played on the varsity soccer and ice hockey teams for the last three years. She is attending Boston College this year.

The Anne Marie Murphy Athletic Award was presented to Kate Elizabeth Manzella of North Hampton, NH. Manzella played at the varsity level since her freshman year on the soccer, basketball and lacrosse teams. As a junior, she was the Carl A. Pescosolido, Jr. Athletic Award-winner. Manzella was tri-captain of the soccer team and co-captain of the basketball team in her senior year. In basketball, she also was M.V.P. and an All-Independent School League selection. In lacrosse, Manzella was also voted M.V.P. and was selected for the All-Independent School League, All-New England and All-American teams. She has entered Colgate University.

The 1996 Carl A. Pescosolido, Jr. Athletic Awards were presented to Colleen Anne Christopher of Hampton Falls, NH, and Joseph A. Nicastro

# Commencement Address

by Ariele Ebacher '96

Ambrose Public Speaking Prize-Winner

I have discovered something in the past few weeks that many of you may know all too well. Deciding where to spend your college years can be an entirely unpleasant and stressful experience. Of course it is exciting to

think that I will soon be beginning a new part of my life, but there are certain anxieties that accompany this excitement. In the midst of fretting over this big decision, almost at the point of declaring that "There is no college out there for me," my father called my attention to the night before my first day ever at Governor Dummer Academy.

As I recall, I spent the entire night sobbing to my dismayed parents that I did not, in any way, shape or form, want to go to Governor Dummer. Although

in my reflection my fears seem ridiculous, at the time I felt I would find no one like me at America's oldest prep school. I was just a girl from Newburyport who was looking for something new in schooling. No one in my family had ever gone to a private school. I thought GDA meant people named Buffy and jocks that I had nothing in common with. I felt like I was crossing into another reality, where I would be left baffled and isolated by the world around me.

When I arrived on campus, I soon discovered that at least one of my preconceptions was false: I met no one named Buffy. What I was met with was a diverse student body. There were people who played sports, people who did drama, people who immersed themselves in their own projects. I was scooped up by an over zealous sophomore, who proceeded to run me all over campus introducing me to more people than whose names I could possibly remember. When all was over and done with, I returned home each day of that first week overflowing with stories.

For a year, I stayed with those people I first met in my first few moments here. I did not venture far beyond a group of friends in whom I found everything I needed. But when

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Ariele Ebacher '96





# Baccalaureate Faculty Reflection

by Albert T. Finn, Jr.

**C**lass of 1996 – You have done me a greater honor than you know by asking me to speak at your Baccalaureate Service.

Your graduation has some significance for me. Twenty-five years ago almost to the day, on June 12, 1971, I was in your position but at a different school, Milton Academy, preparing to graduate and looking forward to new adventures in college. This year, therefore, marks my 25<sup>th</sup> reunion, which is always a milestone in one's life, presenting the opportunity to reminisce and assess. Early this year, I received among other reunion items a questionnaire to be filled out full of disappointingly mundane questions. One of these questions was the predictable, "Recount a memorable experience you had while at Milton." Well, I had several possible answers, some printable, some not. One event which I recalled, but did not use, makes an interesting and instructive story.

I wrestled while in high school, and for my first two years I was on the junior varsity team. One of our opponents was the varsity team of another school – the Perkins School for the Blind in Watertown, Massachusetts. That's right, the Perkins School for the *Blind*. Now, before you snicker at the prospect, let me tell you, the wrestlers for the Perkins School were no slouches. How does a blind person wrestle, you might ask? Well, the answer is – pretty much as a sighted person wrestles. Physical contact must be maintained, so when a wrestler escapes from his opponent, he must return and touch hands with him. You don't need eyes to wrestle.

In my freshman year, the wrestlers from Perkins came to Milton, but in

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III of Gloucester. The awards are "...presented at the conclusion of their junior year, to those scholar athletes — male and female — whose academic and athletic performances exhibit the character and commitment to excellence of Carl A. Pescosolido, Jr., President of the Board 1980-1992." Nicastro also received the Francis Scholarship as "a student of high character who has made substantial intellectual progress, and who has demonstrated a spirit of cooperation and helpfulness in the life of the school."

Jacqueline M. Downing received the Whittemore Award as "a member of the sophomore class who, through attitude and perseverance, has made the best contribution to the Academy."

The Thespian Award, presented "for meritorious work in the field of dramatics, for inspiring participation, providing leadership and developing theatrical knowledge and abilities," was awarded to Ariele

Ebacher. Ebacher also received the Gaffney Prize, which is awarded to "...a senior who, in the opinion of the faculty, has been most considerate of the rights, opinions and sensibilities of others," and first-place in the Ambrose Speaking Contest, for excellence in public speaking. She is attending the University of Massachusetts at Amherst.

Jason Gelvan Greenberg won the Edward J. Rybicki Prize "for best demonstrating the qualities found in the teacher for whom the prize is named: selflessness, sense of humor, responsibility toward the welfare of others and the courage to live by a strong set of personal beliefs." He is attending Pepperdine University.

The winners of the Barriskill Prize for contributions in the field of

music were Tasneem Azim Nanji and Todd Horvath. Nanji is attending George Washington University. Horvath is attending Dickinson College.

Alan James Atkins was awarded The Mercer Art Prize, which is designated for the senior "with exceptional creativity and originality who has completed with honor grades all available studio art and art history courses at the Academy."

The academic departments honored ten students with Moody Kent Prizes for outstanding academic achievement. The Fine Arts Department recognized senior Toban Antal Szuts for Art and Thorndike Hilton Cup-winner Zoltan Bela Szuts for Music. The Moody Kent Prize in English went to senior Naomi Odell. Thespian Award-winner Ariele Ebacher received the History Department prize. The Language Department recognized Morse Flag-winner Raymond M. Long in French, junior Eric D. F. Gordon in German and seniors Jeffrey A. Gilberg in Latin and Gabrielle Coffin in Spanish. Boonsit Yimwadsana was awarded the Moody Kent Prize in Science.

The Academy's Special Prizes were awarded to Jeffrey A. Gilberg, who also was awarded third-place in the Ambrose Speaking Contest; Lauren M. Abernathy; Katherine D. Meyer; Ji Hoon Hwang; Jonathan Todd Walters, who also was awarded

second-place in the Ambrose Speaking Contest; and Jeffrey R. LaBelle.

Receiving the Wilkie Service Award, named for former Headmaster

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Albert T. Finn, Jr.





# Baccalaureate Address

by Elysa Marden '86

So here you are. You've *done* high school. How does it feel? Pretty good? You've probably been told a lot recently about



Elysa Marden '86

what it *means* to be a graduate of Governor Dummer Academy. I'd like to share one or two perks that may not have been mentioned yet.

You receive the school magazine, *The Archon*, to catch up on all the

gossip – assuming that your parents don't throw it out by mistake. And Reunion- reminder refrigerator magnets. This is this year's.

Graduation is a turning point – dare I say even a *milestone* – that can change your life. There's a *before* and an *after*. Now, some people find change in their life more often than others. I went to college with a guy named Jason – he's doing avant-garde theater in Texas – whose life changed two, three times a week. Reading Sartre changed his life. A moment in a movie changed his life. A random comment overheard in the dining hall changed his life. I personally tended to find him a bit melodramatic. But as soon as Jason experienced something, he let it fill him and affect him. He could process and reevaluate all that had come before in his life on the basis of the new information.

Italo Calvino, a modern Italian writer, in his *Six Memos for the Next Millennium* poses the following: "Who are we, who is each one of us, if not the combinatoria of experiences, information, books we have read, things imagined? Each life is an inventory of objects, a series of styles, and everything can be constantly shuffled and reordered in every way conceivable."

At this point, a good portion of your experiences have been at GDA.

You've learned a lot here, perhaps about atomic particles, French verbs, angle of incidence equals angle of reflection, whether you like Shakespeare. You've also learned about people: your classmates and teachers. You may have found friendships that will last a lifetime, even though you may not realize it now. Know that this, here – your experiences at GDA – are a solid foundation. But how that manifests itself in the future may be a surprise. Ten years ago, I planned on studying international relations with a focus on Asia at college. When I was at college, I studied archeology, and now I'm directing theater.

Ten years ago, I would have said one of the most valuable things I did here was take a course in Asian history. Now, what I once viewed as the more "tangential" experiences at GDA – working on shows like *A Streetcar Named Desire*, *Back Country Crimes* and *Barefoot in the Park* – are the experiences that, in some way, I use daily. A few years ago, I directed a show with ninth and tenth graders. I chose *Story Theater*, a play done here my sophomore year. My "inventory of experiences," so to speak, at GDA has shuffled considerably.

So, value everything you've done here and everyone you met. Yes, even the failures and the people you didn't necessarily like. There's a good chance you may forget much of what has happened here. I know that it took a while for me to come up with who spoke at the '86 Baccalaureate, and a poll of some of my classmates indicates that some don't remember at all; but there will be moments that will stay with you forever, and sometimes things will pop up, like *Story Theater*, most

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# Baccalaureate Student Reflection

by Brian Rybicki '96

Governor Dummer Academy. These three words no doubt bring about a different reaction in each person in this crowd. To some, it is a place they just finished paying for. To others, it is a place they will finish paying for in the years to come. To some students, GDA has been their home for the last two, three, four and, in a few rare cases, five years. For me, these three words mean something more than just a home for the last four years; they mean a home for the last 19.



Brian Rybicki '96

As the son of a former faculty member here at GDA my first introduction to this school took place 19 years ago, when we first moved here. I grew up on this campus and witnessed

students come and go many times. I grew with the school and changed as it changed. There were no secrets on campus that I didn't know. Getting into the gym was never a problem, as my brother and I often resorted to climbing through windows for access. The campus was my playground growing up, and I knew it like the back of my hand.

Aside from a large campus to explore were other benefits, such as several students whom I lived with and was friends with. As a young child, I grew up with the dorm students, and for that reason was a step ahead of the other kids my age. My vocabulary at the age of ten could rival any other foul-mouthed kid in the state. I knew every catch phrase and funny combination of swear words in the book. My exposure to the dorm students at a young age influenced me in many ways. I most definitely grew up faster than the other kids fenced in in their own neighborhoods. The dorm students

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**GDA's**

# ***Campus on the Move***

**G**overnor Dummer Academy this summer broke ground on the most ambitious building project in its 234-year history -- the construction of a 20,000-square-foot library and a 30,000-square-foot mathematics-science center. First, however, came a few preliminary -- though not inconsequential -- moves.

Moody House had been moved the previous summer to its new site between Nannie B. Phillips Dormitory and Evans Cottage. This summer, Moody's longtime neighbor, the Little Red Schoolhouse, was relocated to a beautifully landscaped venue at the corner of Elm Street and Middle Road, where

it now graciously welcomes all visitors to campus. Where these two venerable GDA icons stood, heavy equipment soon moved in to prepare for construction of the Pescosolido Library.

Next, Mason Cottage was razed and the Pierce tennis courts were removed to make way for the Mathematics-Science Center, which will be connected to a renovated Schumann Science Center. Then, the Noyes Library (a/k/a



This page (counter-clockwise from top left): (1) The Little Red Schoolhouse, having just moved off its foundation, is rolled onto Old Elm Street. (2) Avoiding trees, it passes the Mansion House (at right). (3) Next it rounds the Milestone (note the Frost Building at far right). (4) The tractor-trailer stops at the intersection of Elm Street and Middle Road before backing into the newly excavated location (5). Finally, the Schoolhouse is eased into its new location (6) to await a foundation, which will be poured beneath it. Moving earth at the Groundbreaking Ceremonies (center) were (l-r) master Mathematics teacher Richard Leavitt; Librarian Mary Leary; Science Department Chair Stephen Metz; Board President Daniel Morgan '67 P'97; benefactors Carl A. Pescosolido P'55 '57, David M. Harris '36 and Robert F. Schumann '40 P'66'74; Headmaster Peter W. Bragdon; and Board Buildings and Grounds Committee Chair Gerry Mack P'87'91'93.





"Uncle Tom's Cabin") also made room for the new structure, taking the long way around the Duncan Student Health Center to find a new home at the crest of the hill between The Commons and Parsons Schoolhouse. Here, too, personnel and machines quickly moved in to begin their work, all of which is scheduled for completion before September 1997. During all this activity, workers also began -- and completed -- a 4,600-square-foot addition to Perkins Dormitory to house two faculty apartments and six student rooms, more than compensating for the loss of Mason.

To date, the Academy has received gifts and pledges totaling \$7.3 million toward the cost of the new construction. In early October, the Academy received \$10 million in bridge financing from a Massachusetts Industrial Finance Agency bond offering in order to cover the immediate cash flow needs of the construction projects.

GDA Board of Trustees President Daniel M. Morgan '67 presided over the official groundbreaking ceremonies, which took place during Reunion '97 in June. Following is the text of his speech to the crowd assembled beneath a tent located in the quad -- virtually equidistant from the two construction sites:

"Today we begin not only one but two significant building projects, the impact of which will be felt for years

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This page (clockwise from top right): (1) Noyes Library, newly freed from its foundations, moves along the service road behind the Duncan Student Health Center. (2) Looking back toward Schumann (right) and The Commons (left) after Noyes' departure and the razing of Mason Cottage. (3) The scene from near Schumann (left), after the buildings and tennis courts have been removed. (4) Noyes in the parking area behind Parsons Schoolhouse. (5) As winches grind, Noyes ascends the hill toward The Commons. (6) Noyes in its new home, with its foundation complete and landscaping underway.



to come. Look around and you will see the buildings that reflect the history and growth of this school through the years. Beginning with the Mansion House, which was used as the first dormitory, building by building we travel through time up to today when, by our actions, we will participate in that continuum of progress that has been the essence of this Academy. Today, however, we proceed on a scale not seen before.

"By the way of establishing a perspective, let me give a couple of examples.

"First, from the *Governor Dummer Academy History*, by former Headmaster Jack Ragle, I quote: *The three Trustees named in the will had seen to it that income from the rental of the Mansion House and farm during 1762 was used to provide for the building of the first schoolhouse. The parish committee, of which Moses Parsons was an influential (if not leading) member, had designated a site in front of the Mansion House, a little toward Newburyport. The modest, one-story building that was erected there contained but two rooms, and a vestibule with facilities for hanging jackets and coats, the whole of this area covering an area but 20 by 30 feet. The Little Red Schoolhouse (and that it was actually red in color is confirmed in a letter of Nehemiah Cleveland, who studied there under Isaac Smith very early in the nineteenth century) stands to this day in a prominent spot on the Academy campus. It has survived a checkered career and many moves.*

"Next, I'd like to read excerpts from a fund-raising speech given by my grandfather, Philip M. Morgan, in 1955 to raise capital for what became the Frost Building. See if it has a familiar ring:

*At the Trustees' meeting held on the 12<sup>th</sup> of September 1953, some 21 months ago, our Headmaster called to the Trustees' attention the need for more and better classroom facilities at Governor Dummer Academy. The Headmaster went on to point out the usage of our 13 classrooms was at a maximum, with all of them in use seven periods per day, five days per week, excepting that the Duncan basement classroom was free one period each day and the Cobb Room was in use six out of*

*seven class periods, but not every day in the week. The Headmaster stressed the need for science laboratories for the adequate teaching of chemistry, physics and biology, and he also stated that the Noyes Library had been entirely outgrown by the school – that it was used as a classroom five days per week for all seven*



**Progress:** The foundation of the new library takes shape in the shadow of Frost.

*class periods, and that it was built in 1930, when the school had but 65 boys enrolled, as compared with the 215 boys that are now attending Governor Dummer Academy.*

*From these excerpts of the Headmaster's report on this situation, I am sure that it is evident to you, as it was to the Trustees, that there was a real need for more and for better classrooms and for a larger and better library and much better laboratory facilities.*

*Floor plans were drawn of a building which would provide the needed facilities — namely, two laboratories with lecture halls (small), six or seven classrooms, in which general subjects could be taught, and a library large enough for a school our size.*

*At a special meeting of the Trustees held on the 10<sup>th</sup> of May 1954, it was voted to proceed with the construction of a library and science building at an estimated cost of \$650,000 and that steps be taken at once to raise that sum of money.*

*"These then illustrate a couple of prior building campaigns. By comparison, today we embark on two major projects — a new library and the*

*modernization of Schumann Science Center, including the addition of mathematics facilities. The price tag of building and endowment will approach \$15 million. It is, by far, the biggest one-time financial commitment and investment we have ever made for the future of this Academy.*

*"Yes, in terms of size and financial commitment, what we do today is orders of magnitude greater than what has ever been done before. However, it is very important to keep in mind that as much as the Little Red Schoolhouse and Frost were built in response to the needs of their time, the projects we embark on today are no less a response to the needs of today and the vision of tomorrow.*

*"It has been principally the generosity of these three gentlemen on the podium, Mr. Carl Pescosolido, Mr. Robert Schumann and Mr. David Harris — as well as two anonymous gifts of \$1 million dollars each that have created the momentum and given us the opportunity of beginning these two critical building projects at this time. We cannot adequately express our appreciation for this to them. Hopefully our thanks, plus the knowledge of the immense benefits their generosity will bring to generations of young adults will begin the*



**The Pescosolido Library:** The architects' rendering of the library's east elevation, showing the curving glass wall of the reference section.

*measure of the appreciation they deserve. To them I say thank you, thank you, thank you. Their generosity has given us the impetus to go forward, but I would be remiss if I did not point out to this particular audience that we still have several million dollars to raise in order to cover all of the costs of these projects."*

Photos by G. Matthew Pike, Richard N. Leavitt and Jeffrey P. Kelly '85.



# Reunion '96

**M**ore than 300 alumni/ae and their guests returned to GDA for Reunion '96 weekend, June 14, 15 and 16. Reunion festivities began Friday night with a cocktail party on the Quad and Class dinners around campus, followed by an evening gathering in the Phillips Building and individual Class parties.

The activities on Saturday began with the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Reunion Pie Race. The five-kilometer race was won by Tim O'Keefe '94, who set a new record with a time of 18 minutes, 17 seconds. Top woman finisher Jenny Ogden, wife of Jeff Ogden '76, also established a new benchmark with her time of 25:52. Ten runners crossed the finish line in time to be awarded a freshly baked pie.

More than 50 Reunioners attended the panel discussion, "GDA Through the Eyes of its Students," in which four current students described their recent experiences.

Headmaster Peter Bragdon presided over the groundbreaking ceremonies for the new Pescosolido Library and mathematics-science center, the Academy's largest-ever construction project. Board of Trustees President Daniel Morgan '67, P'97 and Trustee Gerry Mack P'87'91'93, chair of the Board's Buildings and Grounds Committee, offered perspective and a progress report before joining faculty members and donors in the symbolic turning of the soil. (See "GDA's Campus on the Move," elsewhere in this issue.)

After the ceremony, the Alumni/ae Glee Club with Old Guardsmen Art Sager and Ben Stone performed to a full house in Moseley Chapel. Highlights of the concert included selections by the Meistersingers, led by Clark Neily '37, and performances by Irvine Williamson '45, Denis Golden '62 and Elizabeth Leary '88.

The Parade of Classes preceded a champagne luncheon with the Bragdons in the Mansion House for the Old Guard and the Class of '46. Alumni/ae Council President Karen Schulte '83 later presented the Reunion Class Bowls to the classes of 1956 and 1971 in recognition of their total contributions and participation, respectively. Putnam Flint '37, GP'99 was named Alumnus of the Year, and Warren Lane '27 was recognized as the oldest alumnus in attendance. In the evening, more than 275 Reunioners gathered at the Pescosolido Field House for cocktails and class pictures, followed by dinner and dancing in Alumni Gym.

Sunday began with a farewell brunch in the Jacob Dining Hall for one last chance to see friends and classmates until their return in 2001.

(For a pictorial review of Reunion '96, turn the page.)

**Women of '91:** Kori Winter, Rebecca Baker, Nicole LaTour, Regan Jones, Sharon Ricketts and Alex Vincent Regan stop outside the Phillips Building during Reunion '96.



**In performance:** The Alumni/ae Glee Club



**Class of 1966:** (L-R) Michael Little, Dana Woodward, Edgar Caldwell, Ford Schumann.



**Class of 1976:** First row (L-R): Chris Darke, David Higgins, Bill Woods, Steve French. Second row (L-R): Steve Spaulding, Dana Russell, Jeff Ogden.



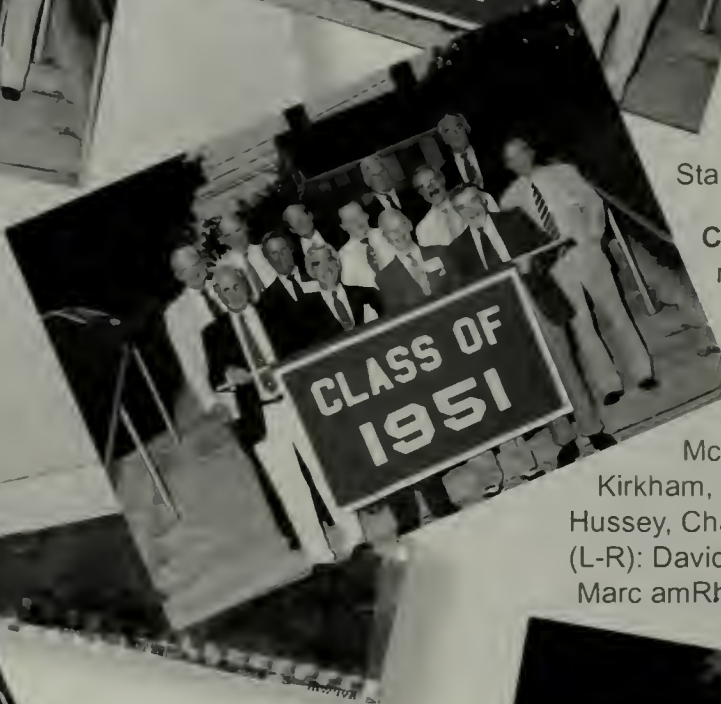
**Old Guard:** First row (L-R): Warren Lane, Andrew Little, Don Stockwell, Don Palais, Dudley Follansbee, John Healy. Second row (L-R): Phil Simpson, Ted Stitt, Tom Fenn, David Harris, Dave Goodhart. Third row (L-R): Dick Cousins, Rita and Bo Jameson, Leon Noyes.



**Class of 1971:** First row (L-R): Eric Nietsch, Andrew Nelson, Ed Catlin, Rick Barrett, Alan Brewer, Julian Ellis. Second row (L-R): Peter Alfond, Jed Lee, Wayne Gray. Third row (L-R): Tom McMeekin, Mark Nickerson, Jack Stanyon.

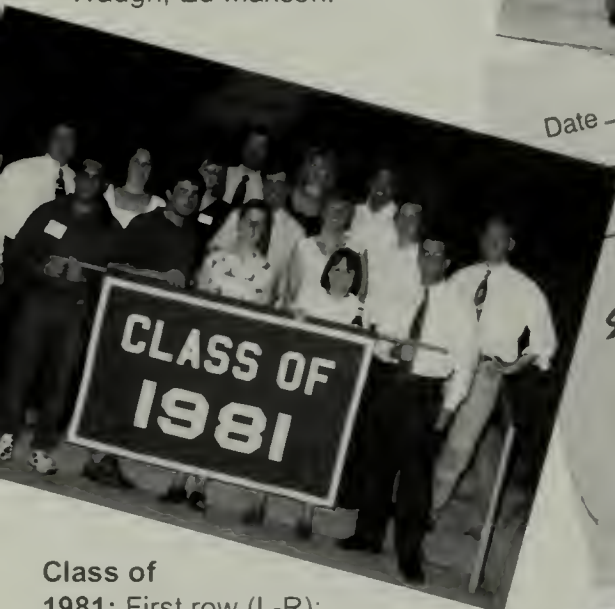


**Class of 1951:** First row (L-R): Dick Bittner, Ken Bistany, Dave Pope, Fred Franzius. Second row (L-R): George McGregor, George Kirkham, Ted Barrows, Chuck Hussey, Charlie Gesen. Third row (L-R): David Bullock, Bob Wenz, Marc amRhein, Bill Atwell.



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**Class of 1981:** First row (L-R): Richard Aranosian, Eric Jones, Kathryn O'Leary, Lisa Loudon, Dan Cross. Second row (L-R): Dave Bowley, Kristen Russell-Bowley, Joanne Leary, Edward O'Dell, Patti O'Dell, Ben Frost, Dan Cooke. Third row (L-R): Susan Miller, Sarge Kennedy.



**Class of 1956:** First row (L-R): Tom Elder, Latham Nichols, Rey Moulton, Art Balser, Peter Renkert. Second row (L-R): Donald Dunsford, John Tisdale, George Needham, Joe MacLeod, Hunt Blatchford. Third row (L-R): Jim Dean, John Wilson, Tony Miller.



**Class of 1986:** First row (L-R): Margaret Asadoorian, Jeneanne Pina, Eric Krukoni. Second row (L-R): Vanessa Hunt, Lee Hayman, Susan Murray (guest), Karen Rybicki. Third row (L-R): Monique Proulx, Hedi Dur, Sumant Bhatia, Alison Zweil. Fourth row (L-R): Tim Nesbit, Bill Sweeney, Kim Rochford, Elysa Marden, Blake Underhill. Fifth row (L-R): Raul Valdes-Fauli, Tracy Beckett, Chris Twomey, George McCarthy, Mike Jasse, John Bailly. Sixth row (L-R): Gene Taft, Derric Small, Noah Wendler, Paul Nardone.



**Class of 1991:** First row (L-R): Meredith Kalil, Charles Peterman, Toby Levine, Leah Colangelo, Cathy Burgess, Caren Lee. Second row (L-R): Charles Rodman, Nicole Atwood, Nick Dunham. Third row (L-R): Phil Getchell, Sharon Vincent, Alexis Colby.

**Class of 1961:** (L-R) Tom Woodruff, Steve Sawyer, Dick Snowdon, Tom Mercer, Dave Stringer.

**Class of 1961:** (L-R) Tom Woodruff, Steve Sawyer, Dick Snowdon, Tom Mercer, Dave Stringer. David Graichen, Meghan Price, LaTour, Betsy Smith, Michelle Paradis, Jake Third row (L-R): Lindsay Miller, Peter Jacobs, Alex Jason Uttam, Rory Cullen, Easton Craft. Fourth row (L-R): Rickett, Kori Winter, Rebecca Baker, Karen Queen, Liza Loughman, Giovanni Pacelli. Fifth row (L-R): Catherine Tuthill, Andy Tanton, Brian Novelline, Todd Graff, Michael Burke, Scott McLeod, Graeme Jones, Chris Troianello, Todd Bairstow, Ruby VanLoan, John Clifford, Matt Murphy, Stratton Newbert, Stacia Piacente, Bence Oliver.



**Partners:** Alumni/ae Glee Club conductor Art Sager and accompanist Ben Stone share a moment together in Moseley Chapel.



**Cheers!:** Rick Nietsch '71 and his wife Patti, Steve Dunn '71 and his wife Katy, Jed Lee '71 and Wayne Gray '71 dine in the Youngman Gallery at the Kaiser Visual Arts Center.



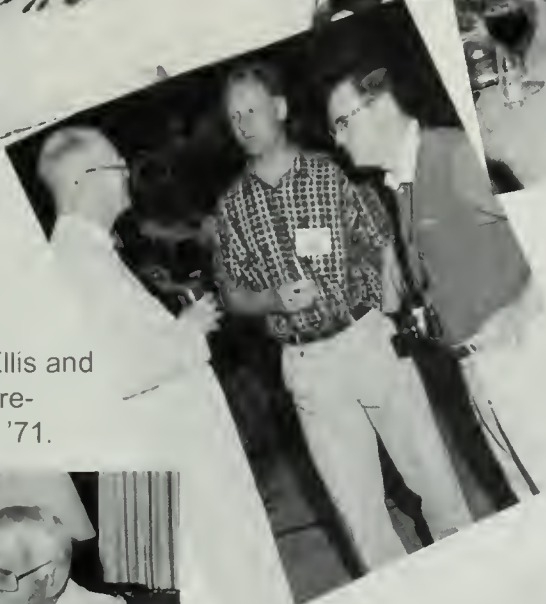
**Friends from '56:** Herb Hodos, John Henry and Chuck Duncan share a laugh after their class dinner in the James Duncan Phillips Library



**And the winner is...:** 1996 Reunion Pie Race-winner Tim O'Keefe '94 is congratulated by race host Coach David Abusamra.



**The latest news:** Headmaster Peter Bragdon chats with Reunioners Julian Ellis and Andrew Nelson, representing the Class of '71.



**Golden classmates:** Lyndie Watkins '46 and Bill Silver '46 catch up at dinner in the Mansion House.



**In a class by themselves:** Toby Levine '91 and Leah Colangelo '91 are all smiles at Reunion '96.



**Pre-repast:** Esther Little



AW'41 and Warren Lane '27 enjoy themselves before dinner in the Mansion House.

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**'81-ers:** Richard Aronosian, Eric Jones, Eric and Patty Adell, Kathy O'Leary and Dan and Suzanne Cross pause before their Reunion Class Dinner in the Jacob Dining Hall.



**In the Old Kitchen: (L-R)** Ethel and Irv Williamson '45, Joy Towne AW'45, Dick Cousins '45, Harriet and Leon Noyes '45 and Judy and Don Palais '45.



**Old Guard gathering:** Alice Stockwell, Ted Stitt '42, Don Stockwell '39, Phil Simpson '39, Sue Simpson, Bob Schumann '40 and Marilyn Schumann pose before dinner in the Mansion House.





# Dreams, Habitats and




Master teacher Katherine Krall Guy is the fourth faculty member to participate in the Academy's new summer sabbatical program, established through a grant from the Edward E. Ford Foundation.



by Katherine Krall Guy

# Humanity



Now that I think about it, the seeds for my sabbatical had been planted for decades and been lying dormant until one day when I was chatting with Peter Bragdon. Out of the blue, he shot the question at me, "And what would you do, Kathy Guy, with a summer sabbatical?" Startlingly quickly and self-assuredly, I countered, "I'd go to a Spanish-speaking country and build houses."

I was shocked; it was as if I had stepped back from my body and watched the words fly out by their own design. Yet, this was my long-buried dream.

The dream both made logical sense and filled a certain spiritual void. As a student of Spanish, I wanted to jump into the communicative foray, to test and sharpen my skills. As a teacher, I wanted, for a change, to trade the intangible act of teaching for a more physical output, the rewards of which might be more immediately seen and measured. And

lastly, I felt an urgency, welling up from somewhere within, to break out of the safety of my insular existence in order to "do some good" somewhere in the great unknown. After much soul-searching and many false starts, I landed upon Habitat for Humanity International; its two-week program in Pisco, Peru was to become mine.

Indeed, Habitat had been a secret goal tucked far into my subconscious ever since Jimmy Carter had promoted it in the 'Seventies. In a funny way, I knew that embarking on this experience was somehow keeping a tacit promise to myself, and I found myself walking on air in anticipation of this venture. As the trip approached, however, jitters set in. Increasingly, I became aware of the uncertainties involved. Peru, a magnificently scenic country boasting spectacular indigenous wonders, had also been the scene of some terrorism in recent history. As I began undergoing a long string of shots and preventive medications for exotic diseases I'd only read about, the reality of Peru's lower standard of living in certain regions began to impress me in a new, somewhat unnerving way. And most recently, I was encountering sometimes-teary resistance from my son, who, in the wake of the TWA disaster, asked repeatedly, "Why do you have to go?"

The question was a good



one; it haunted me, because I didn't yet have the answer for it. Indeed, the day before I left, I pulled my car up next to that of a friend. Nervous and oversensitive to my son's apprehensions, I leaned out the car window and asked, "Why didn't I just decide to take my family to Disneyworld?" He said simply, "It would be too easy." So down I flew to Miami, where 12 strangers from ages 17 to 70 and hailing from

Everywhere, U.S.A., and I embarked on a joint adventure and a shared sense of mission. We arrived at 4:30 a.m. at the sleepy Lima airport. A modern, well-appointed international airport by day, the International Arrivals area, in the middle of the night, was primitive. Bags were lifted off the cart and onto the conveyor belt one by one, at snail's pace.

When some of us sought out the restroom before our four-hour bus ride to Pisco, we were dismayed at the lack of conditions of the restrooms: wet bathroom floors, no paper, toilets with neither seats nor flushing capabilities, and no running water for washing hands. It was an anomaly, we hoped, and we exited the airport in darkness to be greeted by a handful of banner-carrying, soon-to-be-friends who welcomed us as if we were hometown heroes.

The dichotomy between material poverty and the richness of the Peruvian spirit, first made clear to us that night, became the leit-motif for our experience in Proyecto Confraternidad in the district of San Clemente, in Pisco, Peru. We would spend the next week noting what were, for us, the substandard living

conditions around us while, at the same time, finding ourselves constantly lifted by the honesty, the kindness, the warmth and the strength of spirit of our Peruvian "brothers in building."

Habitat for Humanity is well rooted in Peru, having established 19 affiliates throughout the country since the founding of Habitat's very first international affiliate there. Its goal is



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simple: to help provide decent housing for those needing housing. At the same time, it requires that its future homeowners make a "sweat equity" commitment to the building of both their own homes and others'. The municipal government deeds to HFH a tract of land, which HFH divides into plots and, upon the family's completing payments, eventually deeds to the family. In order to apply for the program, a person must be: (1) in need of housing; (2) able to make the down payment (the equivalent of \$10) and meet the monthly payment of \$10 for 20 years; (3) a parent of children needing housing. Whether or not one's nuclear family is intact plays no role in qualifying for the program. What counts more, though, is one's

willingness — in attitude and in act — to come through with the "sweat equity," amounting to four eight-hour days per week until the entire project is completed. The commitment could last for years. However, the financial savings were worth the effort; a three-room house in the Pisco project cost approximately \$2,200, about one-fifth the cost in some of the less stable, government-sponsored programs. In

addition, future neighbors working side by side to create a common community enjoyed, as a by-product, an increase in their sense of unity. To hold the program together socially, Habitat assigned a social worker, who worked hard at the project to orchestrate the needs and interactions of the families destined one day to become neighbors.

Proyecto Confraternidad in the San Clemente district of Pisco had just celebrated its first birthday by completing and assigning its first

stage of 54 housing units. We were there to lend some physical and much moral support as the project undertook its second stage of 70 more homes. On ride from Lima to Pisco down the two-lane Pan American Highway, which paralleled the arid coast, we had been struck by the miles and miles of concrete walls seeming to contain nothing within them, or at best, shabby rows of roofless walls — "shantytowns" for the poor. Our role was to serve as a "working" model of encouragement and support for those who strove to earn their way out of the shantytown trap.

So, the first day consisted of somewhat misleading fanfare. We

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# How Can You Be Black, Gay. . . and Republican?



by  
Abner A. Mason '80

I'm not exactly sure when I decided to run for election as a delegate to the 1996 Republican National Convention in San Diego, but as the results were read and it was clear that I had been elected, I remember thinking, "What have I gotten myself into now?"

As a black, gay Republican, I knew that my election was a first for Massachusetts and for the Republican Party nationally. And given the anti-gay intolerant tenor of the 1992 Republican Convention in Houston, I was sure that my presence in San Diego as an openly gay delegate would attract attention – and perhaps not all of it good. I also knew that I would be asked more than once, "What are you doing here?" and "How can you be gay and Republican?"

I have answered these questions many times, and despite my apprehension about how I would be received at the San Diego convention, I knew it was the logical place for me to be. I say logical because I have spent the last four years as National President, and now Vice Chairman, of Log Cabin Republicans, the largest gay and lesbian Republican organization in the country, with 54 chapters in 38 states and over 12,000 members. In fact, the Boston Log Cabin chapter was crucial to my election as a delegate.

Picture this: Saturday afternoon, Belmont High School auditorium, and the election for three delegates from the 8<sup>th</sup> Congressional district is about to take place. The room is packed, and it is divided roughly down the middle, with gay Republicans and other moderates there to support me on one side, and, on the other, Christian Coalition members there to support Bob Semonian, the chairman of the Buchanan campaign in Massachusetts. We were both elected, along with one other moderate. Were it not for Log Cabin, all three delegates would have been Buchanan supporters.

Gay Republicans have two broad goals. First, we want to change the Republican Party by working within it to make it once again the "Party of Lincoln" – an inclusive party committed to the principle that government ought to be limited but efficient and respectful of the individual rights of every American. By advocating for an inclusive party, I mean a party that



welcomes, seeks the support of and treats with respect every American who shares the Republican Party's philosophy and approach to government.

That philosophy at its best, and most simply put, is this: We believe that government governs best when it governs least. We believe in the essential equality of all Americans, so we support equal rights. And for the same reason, we oppose efforts to create special rights for one or another group of Americans. We are a pro-business party because we believe that a job has always been and remains the best social welfare program. We are tough on violent crime because we believe that the security and safety of citizens in their homes and neighborhoods is one of the first obligations of government. We support a strong defense because we believe it to be the surest way to protect freedom and preserve peace. And we believe that the role of government in the lives of citizens ought to be as limited as possible so as to preserve the ability of every American to pursue his or her own idea of the American dream.

For the majority of Republicans, these are the beliefs that make us Republicans. These are also the beliefs that appeal to a growing majority of Americans. When the Republican Party embraces these beliefs and all the Americans who share them – straight and gay, male and female, black and white – we create majorities that win elections. This has happened with Governor Weld and Representative Torkildsen of Massachusetts and mayors Giuliani of New York and Riordan of Los Angeles, to name a few instances where I have been personally involved.

Log Cabin's work in the Republican Party is critical to the creation of a more inclusive and tolerant GOP, but it is not enough. This brings me to our second goal, which is to take a leadership role in helping the gay equality movement to focus much more of its efforts and resources on moderate and conservative Americans.

The reason for this re-focus is that the effort to achieve equality for gays and lesbians will ultimately not succeed because of a judge's ruling, the vote of a legislative body or an executive order by a president – even a president capable of keeping his



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promises. Gays and lesbians will achieve the equality we seek when we have convinced the majority of Americans that we should be treated equally. Americans are the most fair-minded people in the world. But if you ask the average American whether perverts should be treated equally, many – if not most – will say no. And who can fault them? As long as our fellow Americans believe the stereotypes of who we are, they will continue to believe that we are all either sexual deviants, if they are inclined to believe the propaganda put out by the Far Right, or they will believe that we are all anti-American, anti-Christian, ultra-leftists, if they are inclined to believe the propaganda put out by the Far Left. As long as the majority of gays and lesbians are defined by these extreme stereotypes, we will lose the battle for full equality. And as long as the discussion about equality for gays and lesbians is simply a debate between those on the Far Right and those on the Far Left, we will lose.

We must challenge the stereotypes created by the Far Right and Left. Simply being honest about who we are is the first step. Gay Republicans defy

stereotypes of both the Left and Right. By being openly gay or lesbian and active in the Republican Party, we have become the Far Right's worst nightmare. Instead of knee-jerk leftist activists who still influence the direction of gay politics, we need gay leaders who more accurately reflect the values of our community and who understand that success will ultimately come through education and persuasion. This is also why it was so essential that the convention have openly gay delegates on the floor and available to the national media. From a media perspective, presidential nominating conventions are the Olympics of American politics. The great shame of the 1992 Houston Convention was that no one was prepared or willing to challenge the intolerant and bigoted statements that were made. Although I hoped the Party would not repeat the mistakes of 1992, I was prepared to respond.

Unlike far too many gay activists on the Left, most gays do not seek the overthrow of American society to make way for the creation of a "queer nation," and unlike far too many voices from the Right, we do not define traditional American values in a way that excludes equality and acceptance for one or another part of the American family. We need gay leaders who are, by experience and political philosophy, capable of understanding and working with moderate and conservative Americans. Leaders with this ability will be ideally suited to begin the dialogue that we must have with the American public, because it is only through dialogue that we will be able to sort through the differences we have with various segments of American society.

Whether it is parents fearful of what it means to have a gay child, or Christians struggling to reconcile equal rights for gays with the dictates of faith and scripture, or straight Americans who believe recognition of gay marriages somehow devalues marriage between men and women, or young gays who feel that suicide is preferable to the life they think being gay means they must live, or the American who believes that equal rights for gays and lesbians means special rights, and yet another cat-

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were checked into a surprisingly adequate hotel, made to eat good meals, especially sensitive to the dietary precautions prescribed for tourists, and generally lauded. One of our first functions was to participate in a press conference held to honor and promote Habitat's success in that locale. Next, a parade headed by local dignitaries, homeowners and even an Andean band accompanied us to the worksite. There, we danced, we ate some more and, finally, we worked.

We worked hard. The duplex-style homes were one story, concrete-block construction. Since the construction jobs for any day depended largely on what materials were available and the specialties of the workers reporting that day, we noticed future homes in all stages of construction. There were lines traced in the dusty soil to mark future foundations; there were foundations dug and packed with large rocks to hold the "mezcla" (concrete mixture); there were foundations poured; there were plumb lines set up to mark future concrete walls; there were

concrete blocks drying in the sun; there were re-bars ("reinforcement bars") standing like lonely skeletal sentinels at the corners of unbuilt houses. But always, someone was working, somewhere — usually silently, perhaps mechanically, but always with utter concentration and singleness of purpose. We tried hard to fit in. Every morning, we lined up to get our orders from Pedro, the foreman, and we performed that task until we learned to read our environment and insinuate ourselves into an understaffed job. Fortunately for most of us, the building tasks required little sophistication.

I spent my first day going to the putrid-smelling well to fill my wheelbarrow with water needed for mixing a seemingly infinite supply of mezcla. Learning to load and push the barrow became the trick, and after several runs, I could take some sweet pride in my increasingly-controlled splashing. When my arms began to ache, I stopped for a break, took off my leather work gloves to massage my sore palms, and noticed that the young, gloveless woman hustling her

wheelbarrow beside me was about six months pregnant. She and the other men, women, and even children working at the project were eager to stand out as dedicated workers in the hopes of earning one of the houses currently under construction; as a result, neither she nor the others complained with the weight of the wheelbarrow or when the rough cement block tore their fingertips into soft, bloody pads. As I clandestinely thanked my new work boots for not giving

me blisters, I saw some young men working barefoot in an unforgiving soil spiked with glass shards and metal splinters from rusting remnants of re-bar.

Watching the others reinforced my own ability to persevere. And while often tempted to suggest more efficient ways of, for example, transporting water from the well to the worksite, we soon learned not to interfere with the local practice. When one of the Habitat workers offered his gift of a level to the foreman, Pedro only smiled bemusedly and returned to stringing lines parallel to the ground his way: watching water find its own level through a transparent plastic tube. We worked hard to respect their ways of doing things.

If it was physical labor I had hoped for at the very germination of my sabbatical dream, I was not disappointed. By the end of our stay, I had become a wheelbarrow expert, capable of maneuvering barrowsful of water or stone-riddled mezcla with equal ease over skinny plank bridges. I could hold my own in cinderblock brigade, passing the blocks bucket-brigade-style for hours at a time. I became skilled at stuffing foundation cracks with scrap paper, and I learned to mortar and smooth down a concrete block wall. I have to admit, though, that my particular zenith was in the word of re-bar; I became the Re-bar Queen, holding, I am quite sure, the record for the most adept hand-hammering of crooked coil in the project. It feels good to know that some of my work provided the cornerstone — quite literally — for the houses of some wonderful families whose names I will never know.

Yes, we worked hard to respect their way of doing things, but respecting them took no work at all. Come the end of the workday, they

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pulled out the only form of recreation we saw — a volleyball net and a ball, and whether or not we had a common background or language, the silliness of an inept move united us all. With the seriousness of the labor behind us, we could all laugh together. Many of these future homeowners, already parents of several children, were in their early twenties, and while I was quite moved by the gravity of their responsibilities, their obvious adoration of their children made an even deeper impression. I will never forget one woman, perhaps in her forties but looking a decade older, who was the single parent of five children. Abandoned by her husband, she worked as a day laborer in the fields in order to save her downpayment and pay her mortgage, while still fulfilling her sweat equity obligation. Her cinderblock house was bare, except for four new chairs she had managed to buy. When asked her dream for the future, she said simply, "A rug, so that my children can play comfortably on the floor."

We learned lessons from the children as well. Even at their tender stage in life, they understood responsibility. When I was working at the re-bar bench, a young boy silently moved in and began to bend re-bar for the

children of San Clemente were invariably small for their age. But, despite the hard edge in their existence, their beauty shone through in the refreshingly innocent way they played. Owning virtually no toys, they were able to make a game out of almost any artifact or situation. The sandpile for concrete became their mountain; the cinderblocks drying in the sun became their stage. They could invent a game out of rocks, sticks or an old bicycle tire. Our rickety bus became a new target for their inventiveness, and they invaded it regularly to play "tourists." They filled every spare minute with play and seemed remarkably joyous in the absence of toys and other material goods. Truth be told, I couldn't help wishing that my own children might find such delight in the act — or more to the point, the need — of living so creatively.

Our time at Proyecto Confraternidad went all too quickly. By the time our troupe left Pisco for the touristic rewards awaiting us in Cusco, in the Sacred Valley and at Macchu Picchu, we had fully shed our self-consciousness as "norteamericanos." We walked the streets of Cusco, or wherever we were, feeling invested in Peru as a country in which we now had a physical and emotional stake.

The two weeks working with Habitat for Humanity in Peru went far beyond fulfilling those secret dreams I had apparently harbored for so long. Yes, I was immersed culturally and linguistically in a land of Spanish, populated by beautiful, largely indigenous people descended from a mysterious and accomplished race. Yes, physical labor gratified

me immediately and immensely. Yes, placing myself on the giving end of what might be considered a somewhat random act of kindness felt very good. What I had not foreseen, however, was the ultimate gift to me: my overwhelming feeling of reward at helping strangers I had come to love as they fashioned their own dignity.

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egory of people who will receive preferential treatment, all of these instances and so many others are examples of the need for dialogue.

I do not propose a dialogue between extremists for whom the debate itself is a fund-raising tool that plays to the fears and ignorance that surrounds these issues; I mean dialogue whose objectives is to build on those beliefs, values and concerns we share so that we can reconcile our differences when possible and learn to live with those that remain.

These are challenging goals, but I believe we are up to the task. It is not always easy to be gay and Republican, but it is who we are, and there is important work for us to do. I believe the gay Republican presence at the San Diego convention helped to ensure that the mistakes of Houston were not repeated. And I know that our work with candidates across the country is helping to elect a new generation of Republicans committed to an inclusive vision of our party and our country.

We are changing our party, and we are destroying stereotypes, and in doing both we are doing our part to make real the great promise of America, as a place where the blessings of liberty are enjoyed by all and the pursuit of happiness is possible because we are each allowed to make what we will of our own lives.

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**Re-bar Queen:** Kathy Guy and a young boy work with the rusty reinforcement bars.

hour he had free before school. On more than one occasion, a taller, perhaps older child would automatically pick lice out of the hair of a smaller child, just as their mothers did to them. We learned that in order not to offend a child's young ego, we should add three years on to any age we suggested that child might be, for according to our standards, the





## Commencement '96

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Valleau Wilkie, Jr., was Chiyo Soejima. She is attending Boston University.

The Headmaster's Cup, which is "given to that senior who, in the judgment of the Headmaster, serves the mission of the school," was presented to Brian D. Rybicki. He is attending Holy Cross College.

Nicole Renee Suggs was presented with the Bausch & Lomb Medal as the "junior who has been outstanding in the study of science."

Philip A. Venturelli received the Johnson Science Award, which is presented "to an outstanding science scholar in recognition of his or her achievements in the area of science."

The Dartmouth College Book Award, awarded to "a junior who has been outstanding in the study of English," was presented to Melissa Miller Rosen.

Astrid Marena Garcia was awarded the Colby College Book Prize. The award is presented "...to a junior who has shown proficiency in the study of history and displayed community spirit and evidence of personal growth."

The Memorial Mathematics Prize, given to the junior who has been outstanding in that subject, was presented to Joo-Hoon Song.

Jacob Andrew Chase won the Edmund Coffin Colman Language Prize for showing "proficiency in the study of languages."

Winning the Ingham Fund Scholar-

ship, designated to "help an industrious and able student through school," was junior Meta Marie Mason.

The Hale Scholarship was awarded to junior Eric Deane Frank Gordon. That scholarship is designated for a "... student who, through perseverance, has shown the most improvement in the various aspects of school life, and has become an esteemed contributor to the well-being of the Governor Dummer community."

Brandon John Keith was named the recipient of the Columbia University Book Award, which is presented "to that junior who, by his or her unselfish attitude and



**Prized:** Headmaster Peter Bragdon congratulates senior Lauren Abernathy on winning a Special Prize.



**Honored:** Senior Jeffrey LaBelle is awarded a Special Prize from Headmaster Peter Bragdon.

contributions to the school community, best exemplifies the school's motto 'Non Sibi Sed Aliis' ('Not for Self but For Others')."

Junior Rachel A. Lipman won the Holy Cross Book Prize for her "distinguished academic performance in a challenging program, for demonstrating a sense of concern for others and a strong sense of responsibility."

Junior Sandy Teresa Padilla was named winner of the Harvard Book Prize for her "high scholarship, character and athletic or other constructive



**Performance:** Tobi Szuts '96 performs Faure's *Apres Une Reve* during the Baccalaureate Service.

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### Address

by Ariele Ebacher '96

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graduation and the following summer had passed and it was time to return to Byfield, Massachusetts, I found myself alone.

If I thought the beginning of freshman year was difficult, I was in for a much more trying time. Many of my friends were off to new schools. In one short summer, the school I had grown to love had become a completely new place. My fears of being unable to relate to my student body resurfaced. I still believed, somewhere inside of me, that "Mr. Three-sport varsity athlete" and I had nothing more in common than the three letters, GDA. I was still afraid that because I did not dress in the latest J. Crew styles I did not belong here.

There are many things I am afraid to admit, and being wrong is probably one of the most frightening of all. I was wrong, more wrong than I have ever been. My sophomore year, I became best friends with someone who helped me to push past the barriers of interests, styles and social class. He introduced me to people I had been too timid and skeptical to speak to before.

I began my stroll down a path that has led me to one realization that I believe can overcome any and all struggles - human is human.

Sitting down alone with any one of the members of the student body, I have found that we are made of the same soil. We may hold different values, find enjoyment in different activities, speak different languages; but we both breathe, eat, sleep, dream, most simply, live as human beings.

I have had several experiences in the past four years, at Governor Dummer and beyond, which have revealed this oneness in humanity to me. At the concentration camps in Poland, I felt the tragedy resulting from a failure to honor this unity. Here I have experienced the joys of recognizing the similarities in all people. In fact, it is here that I have realized what a difference such an outlook can make.

I have received a wonderful education and that, after all, is the



purpose of high school. But that is the smallest part of the learning I have done here. My deepest gratitude remains for the chance to meet people I may never have crossed paths with and to discover that, although we are each unique, we are more alike than different.

I, once a reserved disillusioned girl who thought herself different from everyone around her, stand proud and say that I share parts of myself with each and every one of the people on this campus. There is a meeting ground between all people. The challenge is to find it. If you cannot find it anywhere else, it will always lie in your humanity.



**Congratulations:** Senior Ji Hoon Hwang receives his Special Prize from Headmaster Peter Bragdon.

## Baccalaureate Faculty Reflection

by Albert T. Finn, Jr.  
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my sophomore year, we traveled in a yellow bus to Watertown to wrestle them on their home turf. When the bus pulled up in front of the school, I was not prepared for the sight which greeted me. Had I known then, that the Perkins School was once – and perhaps still is – the most famous blind school in the country, I might not have been so surprised. I didn't know that the school had been funded by some Boston Brahmin philanthropists, nor that one of its most famous teachers was Samule Gridley Howe, pioneer of blind and deaf education, abolitionist and husband of Julia Ward Howe, author of "The Battle Hymn of the Republic" – "Mine eyes have seen the glory..." Nor did I know that one of its most famous students was one of the most famous of all blind people,

Helen Keller, who was also deaf and unable to speak. Her great teacher, Annie Sullivan, had been a member of the Perkins faculty. In short, the Perkins School has been at the forefront of blind education in America. Had I known all this, I might not have been surprised by the sheer beauty of the school — gothic architecture worthy of Oxford or Cambridge, or perhaps Eton or Winchester, those famous English schools. A great spire towered over the buildings and, even in the dreary winter light — and to a nervous wrestler, it had an inspiring appearance. As we hobbled off the bus, we were greeted by a young man with a white cane, and this young man, amiable but with the sightless eyes we would soon become accustomed to in this place, took us to our changing rooms, chatting all the time to us as we, intimidated and anxious, followed quietly along.

The interior of the building was even more splendid than the exterior. We entered the lobby of the school, if I may call it that, but it was, as I remember, more like a small gothic cathedral — stone floors and walls, exquisite panel, immense leaded-glass windows, beautiful carving. As our footsteps echoed in this vast impressive space, our blind guide pointed out various things we were passing, things that he himself could not see. I particularly remember rows of free-standing glass cases filled with stuffed animals, birds, geologic specimens, seashells, butterflies, which our guide explained were used by blind students to feel the shape of natural objects, which they, of course, were unable to see in the wild. I remember that, as I walked through all this splendor, I asked myself that question: Why spend all this money on a building that cannot be seen by the students which inhabit it? Wouldn't cinder block do as well?

Everywhere I saw students doing things which we might expect sighted students to do — hanging out, chatting, collecting used dishes from the tables in the baronial dining hall, reading in the library, even playing basketball in the gym. How does a blind person play basketball, you might ask? The answer: pretty much as a sighted person does, except there is a clicker

behind the basket on the backboard to orient the blind students — each clicker making a slightly different sound.

We changed into our wrestling uniforms and went up into one of those old-fashioned gyms, the kind with the track suspended from the ceiling above, as you will find in the field houses at Exeter and Andover. The mat was on the floor, and the spectators stood on the track above us. Spectators? How does a blind person spectate at a wrestling match, you might ask? Well, a sighted person narrated the match over the public address system, and the Perkins crowd, well-versed in wrestling moves and tactics, cheered and applauded enthusiastically. Had it not been for the sightless eyes gazing down, you would not have known it was any different from a typical Iowa or Nebraska wrestling crowd.

I'm sorry, but I cannot remember who won the meet on that occasion, nor can I remember how I myself fared, either. In fact, I remember virtually nothing of the actual athletic experience that day. I probably draw a blank because I was psyched out. I suppose I could look it up somewhere, but I haven't. I remember only what I have told you.

And I have told you this story because I think it has a peculiar appropriateness for you. For, if you will excuse me, you remind me of those blind students — especially the guide who gave us a brief tour of the Perkins facilities. I do not say this to insult you, please understand. I say it only because you have been accumulating — and will continue to accumulate — more knowledge than you can possibly absorb, and as St. Paul says, "We see through a glass darkly." You have accumulated all this knowledge in your expensive education, but you have not *seen* it yet. It's true, you can, from your chemistry experience, calculate the percent of magnesium in magnesium dioxide; from your French experience you can give the principal parts of *dormir* or *ouvrir*; from your history experience you can list the chief causes of the Civil War; from your English experience you can chart the deterioration of Macbeth from

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good man to monster. But, at the moment and perhaps for a few more years, you are like the blind student guide at the Perkins School pointing out portraits of blind faculty members or stuffed red-wing blackbirds. You have accumulated far more than you can absorb and that information does not yet have the resonance that some good, old-fashioned life experience will provide.

Unlike that blind student who would never get the chance to see the building of which he spoke, you *will* see. You will see the vast structure, the vast and beautiful cathedral of your education of which now you have only an inkling. As you put your education to *use* – to real use – not on examinations or in papers – but to use *in life*, the beauty of the very expensive, very precious education – for which you have struggled writing late at night after the whole world has gone to bed, or in the seemingly endless double laboratory periods – will become visible. The education for which you, your parents, and – yes – your teachers have labored mightily will become clear to you one day, unexpectedly perhaps. For in your moments of joy and sadness, the bits and pieces of your decidedly non-cinder block education will come back to you, at first like distant strains of music barely heard or a cathedral dimly seen through morning mists. And you will have a vision, fleeting perhaps, of your role in the long and glorious history of human endeavor that your education has prepared you for, and you will be thrilled, astounded and humbled. And your education, which is, after all, your share and storehouse of the wisdom accumulated by mankind over the centuries, will help to guide you in this vast, sometimes dark, and sometimes unintelligible world.

Seniors, all of us in this room envy you your youth, your energy and your opportunities, and we hope that your days will be filled with sunlight and with love.

## Baccalaureate Student

Reflection by Brian Rybicki '96

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greatly enjoyed teaching "Mr. Rybicki's son" many things. I saw kids break the rules, and I saw some of these kids say goodbye as a result. I lived on campus and experienced first-hand how a small private school functioned in all areas.

When I became a freshman here at GDA, my perspective completely changed. Suddenly, I was a student and not only a faculty child. My whole picture of Governor Dummer Academy was dramatically altered. Suddenly, I realized that these teachers were the same people I knew as my parents' friends. People whom I had vacationed with and heard discuss the mysteries of the universe over a few too many cocktails and the conclusion of the Rose Bowl. It was fascinating and a little shocking to see the transformation a faculty member undergoes when he or she enters the classroom.

With my new change in perspective came an added and intensified respect toward the faculty. It did not take me long to realize that these teachers were full-time friends as well as mentors. It is this friendship and community mission that separates GDA from other schools. Friends are plentiful here, and each student in this crowd has memories and friendships that will last a lifetime. One such memory which sticks out in my mind is of our class' retreats to Brantwood this fall. For a couple of days, our entire class laughed together and got to know each other even better. I will always remember the skits we all did and how no faculty member was safe. GDA is not only a place full of great friendships, but also one of great strength and dependability. My first exposure to this special strength and dependability came two years ago, when my father died. At that moment, we were living at GDA, and my father was teaching English. I remember well how the entire GDA community rallied to help support my family while mourning my father's loss themselves. Support poured out of every corner of the campus. An example of this support is the large quilt that was made in my father's memory. Each student signed the quilt and added a special message to it. My family could never have survived this terrible ordeal alone, and we are forever indebted for the huge amount of support and love we were shown. This tragedy tested the strength of the community, and GDA definitely rose to the occasion.

Unfortunately, the loss of my father is not the only tragedy this school has seen. Tragedy has struck this campus several times in the near past. The loss of several beloved people has truly put the community to the test and proved beyond a doubt that this school is a strong and resilient one.

Along with this comes the high

standard of education at GDA. The past four years for me have been years of complete education. Not just an education consisting of mathematics, English and history, but one that covers the whole scope of life. I have learned to overcome disappointments, how to be a good friend, how to conquer difficult situations and how to carry myself through the often difficult undergrowth of growing up.

Governor Dummer Academy has presented each of us with a total education — one that has prepared us not only for college, but for the rest of our lives. The Baccalaureate Service is a time for reflection and memories. I urge each student in this crowd to hold on to the fond memories you have of this school, to let time ease away the bad memories and, hopefully, save room for the good ones. Governor Dummer Academy has been there for us all, and it is time for us to move on. Thank you, GDA, for the last four years and for the last 19.

## Baccalaureate Address

by Elysa Marden '86

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unexpectedly.

The playwright Len Jenkins, with a nod to Ovid, speaks of this transformation in his play *Tallahassee*, when he says:

*Nothing retains the shape of  
what it was  
And nature, always making old  
things new,  
Proves nothing dies within the  
universe  
But takes another being in new  
forms.  
Spring floods have swept far hills  
into the chambers of the sea  
And where a swamp once flowed  
beneath the willows  
Is now a strip of sand, and where  
a desert was  
A little lake sways under growing  
reeds.*

Baccalaureate is traditionally the time of reflecting on the experience you've just had; but the actual word, *baccalaureate*, reminds me of the Greek Bacchae, who were followers of the god Bacchus, or Dionysus, who, among other things, reveled in life. So I leave you with this: Amidst all that you're feeling now – the joy, the thrill, but perhaps also anticipation, confusion, fear or sadness – revel. Revel in what you've done. Revel in what you're doing now and revel in all that you have yet to do. Congratulations and good luck.





## MARRIAGES

- Donald Brad Kirkpatrick '37** and Dorothy LaBay, April 6, 1996.
- Craig Laub '73** and Kerry Wilson, March 1996.
- Michael Harding '75** and Gretchen Bear, September 2, 1996.
- Elisa Adams '77** and Dick Robinson, August 10, 1996.
- Mike Reilly '81** and Diane Green, August 31, 1996.
- Derrick Perkins '82** and Michele Wing, August 3, 1996.
- Rick Brown '82** and Anne Cole, July 20, 1996.
- Darrah Shula '82** and Darryl Bryans, December 31, 1994.
- Karen Gronberg '83** and John Schulte, August 24, 1996.
- Rebecca Lapham '83** and Christopher Callandra, August 17, 1996.
- Michael Graf '84** and Aileen Causing, September 21, 1996.
- Charlotte Johnson '84** and Matthew Amorello, July 20, 1996.
- Megan Heersink '88** and Judas Robinson, July 6, 1996.
- Amy Catherine Russell '89** and Thomas Francis Sheeran, June 29, 1996.

## BIRTHS

- Born to Janice Sherman and **Robert G. Segel '63**, a daughter, Julia Kate; March 1, 1996.
- Born to Mardie and **Michael Shay '69**, twin daughters; Gemma and Olivia.
- Born to Lisa and **Michael Sapuppo '75**, a daughter, Sophia Louise; May 10, 1996.
- Born to Ulgur Aydin and **Carol Ann Goldberg-Aydin '76**, a daughter, Rebecca Melis; February 7, 1996.
- Born to Wendy and **Keller Laros '81**, a son, Russell; April 26, 1996.
- Born to Lohini and **Chapman Mayo '82**, a son, Hugh Armstrong; May 5, 1995.
- Born to Charles and **Heidi Heasley Ford '83**, a son, Nathaniel Leighton; October 27, 1996.
- Born to Brett and **Susan Studley Sanidas '83**, a son, Austin Robert; August 17, 1995.
- Born to Thomas and **Elizabeth Tuthill Farrell '84**, a son, Patrick Joseph; June 9, 1996.
- Born to Daniel and **Cathleen Riley Scerbo '84**, a son, Andrew Riley; August 13, 1996.
- Born to Heather and **Gerald Tallman '84**, a son, Austen Breed; July 4, 1996.
- Born to Kathleen and **Anthony Fusco '85**, a daughter, Gabriel Marie; September 18, 1996.

## DEATHS

- Henry Curtis Ahl**, class of 1923, died September 5 in Manchester, NH. Born in Springfield, MA, Ahl spent the greater part of his life in Newbury, where he lived and worked with his father, painter Henry Hammonds Ahl, and his mother, painter-poet Eleanor (Curtis) Ahl. After attending the Academy, he was graduated from Harvard College. Ahl traveled extensively. His paintings reflected a particular fondness for California and the mountains of the Southwest. According to a story published in the Boston Transcript on August 6, 1932, "If you love beauty, if pictures mean anything to you, if you get a thrill out of seeing old houses, the Ahls will welcome you. There are three painters in the household. Even the son, a college graduate, who might be expected to turn against the profession of his parents, is a painter whose sand dunes are the creation of a true poet who possesses the magical secret of being able to share what he sees with others." He was also an amateur entomologist, geologist and botanist and studied American railroad history and railroad equipment. Ahl was the author of several illustrated books, including *Dunes and Beaches of Essex County*, *The Old Manse* and *A Visit to Orchard House*. Never married, he spent his retirement years in Seabrook, NH. He leaves no survivors.
- Paul Fifield Thomas**, class of 1923, died December 23, 1995 in Wenatchee, Washington. He was born to Paul F. and Frieda (Strausser) Thomas of Brookline, MA, on January 18, 1905. After graduating from Governor Dummer Academy, Thomas attended Brown University, where he played a number of sports. Later he was instrumental in starting and maintaining Wenatchee's only professional baseball team, The Wenatchee Chiefs, until the team disbanded. Upon graduation from Brown in 1928, Thomas moved to Hamburg, Germany to study international trade. He returned to the United States in 1930.



and moved to Wenatchee to start his own fruit business. He worked for the Universal Fruit Company in Wenatchee before purchasing it in 1931. In 1933, Thomas founded the Oneonta Trading Company in Wenatchee. He married Marguerite E. Reard in 1934 in Spokane, and they made their home in East Wenatchee. Today the Oneonta Trading Company is run by two of Thomas' sons and is one of the 50 largest privately held corporations in the State of Washington. Thomas was a longtime member of St. Luke's Episcopal Church and was the oldest member of the Wenatchee Golf and Country Club. He is survived and his three sons, Herbert Thomas and Dalton Thomas, both of Wenatchee, and Paul Thomas III of Woodinville; 10 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

*Everit B. Terhune, Jr.*, class of 1924, died January 22 in Richmond, VA, after a brief illness. After graduating from Governor Dummer Academy, he attended Williams College. In 1929, Terhune joined the Chilton Publishing Company, where he served for 40



Everit B. Terhune, Jr.

years, becoming Publisher of the Boot & Shoe Recorder in 1952 and subsequently a vice president and member of the Board of Directors. He retired in 1969. He also served on the Governor Dummer Academy Board of Trustees as an Alumni Trustee in 1958. From 1977 until his death, Terhune resided on the island of St.

Martin in the French West Indies. He is survived by his wife of 64 years Irene; two sons, Everit B. Terhune III '59 of Dayton, OH, and Gerrit Terhune of Richmond, VA; and one grandson.

*F. Harrison Poole*, class of 1939, died July 4 after a long illness. Born in Watertown, MA, Poole graduated from Harvard College in 1943. He served in the 17<sup>th</sup> Airborne Division and on the staff of General Matthew Ridgway during World War II. He received the Bronze Star, two Air Medals and the Purple Heart. After the war, Poole worked for White and Wyckoff Manufacturing Co. of Holyoke, MA, and Hayward Hosiery Co. of Ipswich, MA, and Chase National Bank in New York. Poole began his career with Philip Morris Inc. in 1957 as Assistant to the Vice President of Diversification. He became a corporate analysis manager in 1961 and served as Director of Corporate Planning from July 1965 until his election as Treasurer in January 1976. Two years later, Poole was named Vice President for Financial Affairs, the position from which he retired in June 1985. Throughout his career, he served on numerous boards of directors and councils and committees. In addition, he was a member of the Sales Executive Club, the Union League Club of New York, The River Club, the Newcomen Society and the Harvard Varsity Club.

*Richard T. MacDuffie*, class of 1947, died March 25 in Boca Raton, FL, from complications resulting from diabetes. After graduating from Governor Dummer Academy, MacDuffie earned a bachelor's degree from the University of New Mexico and an M.B.A. from Boston College in 1953. After graduate school, MacDuffie moved to New Hampshire to work with his father in managing the family's heating oil and service station businesses. He married the former Lynn Shoals of Rochester, NY, in 1954, and they raised their family in New Hampshire. In 1972, the family relocated to Mobile, AL, where MacDuffie opened and operated a McDonald's restaurant. In 1981, MacDuffie relocated to Boca Raton, FL,



Richard T. MacDuffie  
(1947 photo)

where he and his wife opened two Dunkin Donuts shops. MacDuffie oversaw the daily operation of both shops until July 1995, despite increasingly serious medical conditions. He is survived by his wife and five children.

*Donald E. Paulson*, class of 1951, died suddenly at Massachusetts General Hospital on August 12. Born in Brooklyn, NY, Paulson was a longtime resident of Newton. After Governor Dummer Academy, Paulson was graduated from Amherst College in 1955 and Harvard Law School in 1960. In the interim, he served in the Army. He clerked for Judge Peter Woodbury of the First Circuit of the United States Court of Appeals. Paulson spent 35 years with the law firm Brown, Rudnick, Freed and Gesmer as a principal legal advisor and until recently was the head of its corporate practices group. He counseled numerous Massachusetts businesses, including Purity-Supreme Inc., Alpha Industries and Boston Broadcasters Inc., when it was the licensee of WCVB-TV Channel 5 in the 1970s. He also served as a mediator in the Suffolk Superior Court Mediation Program and the Middlesex Multi-Door Courthouse Mediation Program. He is survived by his wife Diane; two sons, Michael Paulson and David Paulson; and daughter, Susan Paulson; and a brother, Allan Paulson.





# CLASS NOTES

PRE-  
'39

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Warren Lane '27 was in Byfield for Reunion Weekend and is looking forward to next year when his class will have its 70th Reunion. My class lists indicate that there were 18 members of



**Hugs:** Putnam P. Flint '37, GP '99 is flanked by his granddaughter Sarah Avalon '99 and his wife Dottie on GDA's Grandparents' Day '96.

the class when they graduated, and there are still five members on the active list. Warren's activities this year included an extended trip to Provence, France. ▼ I had a long letter from **John English '28** reminding me that Byfield and Oldtown are parishes of the town of Newbury. I believe this dates back to colonial days when the churches gave up some of their control over secular matters. John recently visited the Crane estate in Ipswich, where a new version of *The Crucible* was filmed. John says the film is scheduled for release about Thanksgiving and should have some great scenes of coastal Essex County. ▼ **Bill Bottger '28** continues to live in Roanoke, VA. He plans on a trip to New England this fall and will visit GDA as part of the trip. ▼ **Ward Fearnside '31** writes that the second edition of his elementary logic book *About Thinking* was published in August. Earlier this year, Ward and his wife took a bicycle trip along the Danube Valley from Munich to Vienna. ▼ **Buster Navins '31** can't believe that he has been retired for 19 years from GDA. He now lives in Danvers and lists his business address as Arthur Sager Associates, Topsfield, MA. ▼ **Elwood Chase '32** lives in Bethesda, MD, and has recently recovered from a badly sprained ankle. He did not mention how he injured that joint. ▼ **Lyman Belknap '33** has given up

## English Honored by MGA for a Lifetime of Golf

**J**ohn P. English '28 was honored by the Massachusetts Golfing Association with the Frank H. Sellman Distinguished Service Award at this year's M.G.A. Spring Conference. The award is presented to individuals who have given substantially of themselves to the game of golf in Massachusetts.

English spent 11 years as assistant deputy executive director of the United States Golf Association. While at the U.S.G.A., he wrote the copy for many of the association's publications that are still in use today. English left the U.S.G.A. in 1959 to become the Director of Alumni Services and Public Relations at Williams College. During that time, he also served on the M.G.A. executive committee, eventually becoming president in 1971.

the snowbird routine and now lives in Wolfeboro, NH, all year. ▼ **James Connolly '34** still lives in Newburyport and maintains a law practice there. In the winter he skis in New Hampshire. He sails off the coast of Maine in the summer. This year during the spring slush season in Newburyport he went sailing in the Bahamas. ▼ **Seth Baker '34** has completed writing his memoirs and is looking for a publisher. His next big project will be to classify and label the hundreds of photographs that have been tossed into drawers and boxes over the last 60 years. I hope he will share his memoirs with us as his tales of GDA would make a great article for *The Archon*. ▼ **Perry Reynolds '34** writes that his new address is 535 Gradyville Road, Newtown Square, PA 19073. ▼ **Olaf Olsen '37** is enjoying the slow life in Rowley, MA. He and Virginia have 11 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. I wonder if any of the Old Guard have any great-great grandchildren. ▼ **Ed Warner '38** has spent part of the summer in Oregon and northern California, away from the heat of the high desert area of southern California. He still plays golf when he gets a chance and if the temperature is reasonable. ▼ **Hank Cleaveland '38** is back at work following quadruple bypass surgery. ▼ In a class letter, I mentioned problems with hot boxes on the trains going through Byfield and wondered what they

were. **Henry Faurot '38** has come to my rescue. From his description, it appears that some of the wheels are lubricated by oil in boxes that require frequent filling. If the box went dry, the wheel became over heated. Hank's company made and designed felt parts for the boxes needing the lubricating oil.

'39

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We are saddened to learn of the death of **Harrison Poole** on July 4 and that of **David Faulkner** on July 8. We have sent letters of condolence to the wives and families. We join together in remembering our good friends and fellow classmates. ▼ **Henry Payson** attended Harrison Poole's largely attended funeral in New York City. Henry reports



**At home with Grandpa:** Dana Jones '37 holds his grandson Calvin at his home this spring.

he is doing well but did not say what he is doing. As reported earlier, Phil Simpson and I saw him at the Alumni/ae Glee Club concert last fall in Portland. We did manage to get him to join us in the School Song. Contrary to his usual modesty, there is talent there of sorts. ▼ A great big welcome to **Gordon Tooley** who has been among the missing. He has been retired for 26 years and is living in the mountains of North Carolina with 400 acres of land to take care of. He loves to garden and enjoys nature in a beautiful part of the country. He and his wife have five grown children scattered around the country, and they enjoy the



best of both worlds by spending part of each winter at their condo at Amelia Island Plantation, FL. Although Gordon apologizes for not writing sooner, we hope this will be the first of many replies as it's great to hear from long lost classmates. ▼ **Jack Dunlap's** reply to my letter for news for the spring *Archon* arrived too late for publication, but for this issue he apparently made it a priority as it was one of the first to land on my desk. He lives a very interesting life, although he claims it's boring. After suffering through a miserable winter in the Williamsburg, VA, area, he returned to his home in Maine and has been sidelined with health problems. However, despite some eyesight setbacks, he is recovering and has been playing the organ in his church for the summer months. Besides transferring and editing his former trips onto VHS, he and his wife have been picking and freezing string beans. At the end of his welcomed reply he has second thoughts and says his life is not boring after all. ▼ **John Koslowski** is another welcome classmate to report on his doings. He's still whacking that golf ball, although his handicap has risen to a 17 from a nine. He is still active at his 14-indoor-tennis-court facility in Winchester, MA, with sons Tom and Jim helping out. John lives in Belmont next to the Belmont Hill School football field, so he can keep tabs on one of GDA's well known rivals. ▼ **Ed Noyes** is now living at Dataw Island, SC, and has severed his connection with Connecticut. His family roots are still in Newburyport with a granddaughter at Exeter, so he gets back to New England on occasion. How about next June, Ed? ▼ **Tom Killough** has had a corneal transplant and implant operation on his left eye. Although experiencing many restrictions, progress has been good and his vision is improving. Fortunately, this experience to date has not been difficult. That sure sounds like Tom's well known optimism. ▼ I wish somehow there had been a class on handwriting back in the good old days because **John Klotz** could have used the course. I spend untold hours trying to decipher his newsnotes. I even enlisted the services of my family to determine the extent of his escapades. At any rate, I gather from his latest reply that he recently returned from England and Scotland, where he played golf at St. Andrews and the Jubilee course at North Berwick. He visited castles and spent three days at center court at Wimbledon. He saw the crown jewels and played with some gal by the name of Windsor,

## Maine Medical Assn. Names Building for Hanley

**T**he Maine Medical Association dedicated its new office complex in Manchester, ME, in honor of Daniel F. Hanley, Jr. '35.

The building is located on the M.M.A.'s campus, which houses two health-care-related organizations that Hanley helped found: the Maine Medical Assessment Foundation, a non-profit organization dedicated to physician education and health services research; and the Maine Health Information Center, a group that processes and analyzes health care data and statistics. Both groups have close ties to the M.M.A., a professional organization for doctors.

"Dr. Hanley was instrumental in starting both the M.H.I.C. 25 years ago and the M.M.A.F. 10 years ago," said M.M.A. executive vice president Gordon H. Smith. Hanley continues to serve as the M.M.A.'s representative to the M.H.I.C.'s board of directors and as a member of the M.M.A.F.'s board, Smith said.

whoever that might be. He also has just returned from golf and tennis in Florida. For those who are interested, he says his body is tan from the rough life he's living. The above facts may have been misread, but if you saw his handwriting you would know what I mean. Help! ▼ A most interesting letter just received is from **George Simson** who, with his wife, took a trip around the world in June. The trip was on the Orient and Istanbul Express, going from Beijing, China to Moscow via Mongolia and the trans-Siberian railroad. He says the most strenuous part of the trip was going from their compartment to the dining car, which he paced out to be 500 paces or 1,500 feet. We wonder if he had to make a couple of pit stops for libation en route. The entire train was about 20 cars of various types. They traveled mostly at night and took various side trips during the day. They passed through the Gobi desert, had lectures on dinosaurs and traveled across Siberia with a final stop in St. Petersburg, Russia. George says he could fill up *The Archon* with pictures and stories of his journey. It sounds like it was a wonderful trip, and hopefully we'll have an opportunity to hear firsthand more of the trip at some future time. How about it? ▼ **John Abbott** tells us he is busier than ever. He has just finished editing the translation of a Swiss

pioneer's autobiography. He heads to Flossmoor, IL, in September to attend the baptism of five of his grandchildren and then on to Maine, where he will visit Jack Dunlap for the second time this summer. Following that, it's Elder Hostel to Scotland, which will include visiting his wife's family. Between these activities he still finds time to play tennis. ▼ Although I haven't heard from **Phil Simpson** for this issue, I can tell you he and I, with our wives, made our 57th Reunion in June. As always, it was a gala affair, particularly for us members of the Old Guard. We were treated like kings and enjoyed the wonderful hospitality. We were wine and dined in our privileged position. We also performed in the Alumni/ae Glee Club concert, conducted by our good friend Art Sager and accompanied by Ben Stone. Although I knew my position on the stage, Phil wandered from first tenor to second tenor and even traveled over to my area of second bass on occasion. At one point, he had his music upside down. However, because he didn't make much of a sound, the overall performance was excellent. We rubbed elbows with **Bob Schumann '40** and **Ted Stitt '42**, both of whom are in great shape. It was a fun weekend, and we're already looking forward to next June. ▼ **Tom Tenney** is in a terrible dither. It seems he has recently returned from such places as Nova Scotia, New Hampshire and New York, seeking to learn how to play golf. He says he never found the answer and sums his findings up by saying it's for the birds. Seems as though some of his classmates could help him find the way. He visited with Hank Payson for a brief moment in June, but apparently he was of no help. ▼ Lawn mowing has been one of **John Gannett's** activities this summer, as he has been helping his daughter, who was in Alaska for a time. Manual labor seems to be John's avocation as he has hauled 175 standard railroad ties and five tons of rails from Jay, ME, to the narrow gauge museum in Portland. He has also done some boating. The golden years certainly haven't slowed him down.

'40

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**Pete Hill:** "Dorothy and I have recently returned from a two-pronged visit. First, to Evergreen and Denver, CO, to see son Doug, wife Robin and brand new granddaughter Chandler Anne. This gives my five young'ns two children each. ZPG (zero population growth) ain't bad. Doug is a United Airlines Captain (Lt. Col. U.S.A.F., Ret.) and is in the process of becoming United's Fleet Manager for all Airbus A-320 wide-bodied airliners — eventual total 50. From Denver we flew west to Salt Lake City and on to Hill A.F.B. (named for my father) in Ogden, UT. One of my WWII night fighter squadrons was enjoying a four-day soiree with modern day namesake, the 421st Fighter Sqd. We flew P-70s and P-61s 50-plus years ago. The 'new kids' fly the beautiful F-16. We all had a *great* time together, visiting the beautiful Hill AFB Aerospace Museum, playing on real live flight simulators, touring squadron technical and maintenance areas, watching exercises, flybys, etc., getting lectures, attending memorial services, etc. Very impressive. Oddly enough, we had a bit of time left over for eating, toasting, joviality, golf and, of course, war stories extending from the 'big one' half a century ago up through Desert Storm."

## '42

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**Bob Harris** sent a nice letter with a lengthy enclosure from the *Vancouver Sun*. The article, which included a large picture of Bob, contained several reminiscences of his wartime experiences with Liberty ships, one of which, the *Jeremiah O'Brien*, was also prominent in the photograph. A movie company was working on a film at the ship when Bob happened along. The article noted that "the chaos (on the pier) suitably impressed 73-year-old Robert Harris. He witnessed all the tumult and more while serving on the Liberty ships during the Second World War as they ferried men and supplies across the North Atlantic."

## Sam Robbins' Paintings Visit Maine on U.S. Tour

**W**hite Mountain Painters 1834-1926, an exhibition that includes paintings from the collection of Samuel M. Robbins '41, opened at the Farnsworth Art Museum in Rockland, ME on September 15.

The exhibition, organized by the Danforth Museum of Art in Framingham, MA, has traveled to eleven states since 1991. It features paintings by Albert Bierstadt and Benjamin Champney, considered the dean of the White Mountain School. The presentation at the Farnsworth is the show's final stop. It runs through November 3.

Bob is one of our class still at work, and writes that "life is bumping along as one would expect at our age. Pat is very busy keeping up with the arts, and I with design work. Right now doing a 44-foot, 60-day passenger catamaran excursion vessel for a large interior lake in B.C. five hours up in the interior, which we will build here (in Vancouver) in parts and assemble on the lake shore." Bob closes with a look forward to our 55th Reunion next June: "Pat will probably be with me this time. How simply warming it would be if Art Sager were there to lead us once more." ▼ A week after our graduation in 1942, five of us arrived at Amherst College in the Class of 1946. The four of us remaining spent a weekend at our 50th reunion this past June. **Howard Stirn** ('41 had taken a PG course in the '41-'42 year) and his wife Cara were on hand from their home in Teton Village, WY; **Derek Lagemann** came up from Port Washington, NY, and revealed his proficiency on the keyboards at Reunion headquarters; **Ted Stitt** made it back from Fort Lauderdale, via a number of stops at various places in the East, including a stop at Governor Dummer and a visit to **Dave Jarvis** at his restaurant on Cape Cod. Ted said he found the place "jammed with people...a fascinating stop, which was Reunion Weekend in Byfield." From our class, only he and Tom Fenn made it back on this off-year for us. Finally, of the original Amherst group, **Cornelia** and **Stu Pomeroy** were back in Amherst for the four-day weekend. ▼ Had a note from **Bill Monroe**, along with a small stack of material covering some of his current activities. "The enclosures," Bill

writes, "update progress on two programs: marketing the stainless steel sculptures and helping the U.S. National Arboretum in commercializing their new disease-tolerant American elms. Poems have been incorporated into each. The U.S. Information Agency just completed a video on the elm research and will be broadcasting it abroad this month. The producer quoted a few lines from the poem *Ode to an Elm*." Bill had written, some time ago, a lengthy and detailed poem on the American elm and its disastrous blight and the hopes to find a solution to its loss. You will recall that a year ago, we carried a story of Bill's work with the steel sculptures. He's clearly a busy man. ▼ Had a nice letter from Betty Pickett, Bob's widow. She's still living in Leesburg, FL, and finding that her new life "is a real learning experience!" It was good to hear from Betty. ▼ **Bill Hill** writes that he is "enjoying retirement. All the family, grandkids, et. al. gather with us in Maine on the coast during the summer over the time-span of four months. Wintertime we join the Tauck Tour groups and head to the canyonlands, British Columbia and the Canadian Rockies so far. We're boating off the coast of Maine still. All is well." I'm glad to hear that Bill and Mary have enjoyed their Tauck Tours. Cornie and I have taken the two that the Hills were on, plus a trip to London and southwestern England. They do such a great job that we think we'll take our next trip to Germany with them. ▼ **Tom Fenn** sent a note that they "were going from Arizona to Newfoundland, so stopped by the Academy for the '96 Reunion," as already noted in Ted Stitt's card. "Wow," says Tom, "What changes! We were 'Old Guard,' too! Saw Art Sager and others. Ain't like it used to be!"

## '43

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In the returns from the appeal for news there is usually an ad or two. The interesting one this time is from **Dick Veasey**. (I can never hear that name without hearing Uncle Tom Mercer calling on Decius Bebee Veasey.) He is the proud possessor of the cars of the North Conway Skimobile. For a modest price, I'm sure discounted for classmates,



he will part with one of these collectibles. He still claims to be retired. ▼ **Ben Mann** has been back to the olde sod with the **Al Wyers**, and probably by the time you read this, is walking around on some ersatz knees. ▼ **Bill Wiswall** still has his pediatric shingle out, but he takes it in off and on to continue his interest in sports. ▼ **Phil Sawyer** is also continuing to carry his little black bag, except that he can't remember his last house call. He still calls Brooklyn home. ▼ **Alden Wadleigh** says that he is retired from R.D. Werner, but continues to act as a consultant. That means they get all his attention, but don't have to give him an office. ▼ Yours truly remains in an upright position and enjoys traveling and sailing. My current wife (of 48 years) is also enjoying life. We hope the same for the rest of you old people.

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**Wallace Bolton**, living in Palm City, FL, for the last five years, spent three Army years in Germany, graduated from Brown and worked in Lawrence, MA, for 40-plus years. He plays "terrible" golf, beaches and swims in the pool — all of which "keeps us happy and healthy." He and Barbara visited children and grandchildren in Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Maine in the summer. ▼ **Court Cross**, father of three, lives in New London, NH. Court spent his career with E.J. Cross Co., building contractor (President from 1964 to 1986). Court is "an avid antique car nut." He and his wife Midge take "extended tours with as many as 35 other nuts." The eight grandchildren keep them hopping, as do tennis and ongoing concerns about the Lake Sunapee watershed. Court was founding chairman of the New Hampshire Lakes Association. ▼ **Steve Kauffman**, father of two boys, lives in Williamsburg, VA, with his wife Teresa. He graduated from Tufts, got degrees from R.P.I. and George Washington University. Spent 20 years in the Navy, became a management consultant, then ran the New York City subway system, then the whole N.Y.C. Transit Authority, then an electrical equipment manufacturing firm, then was VP, Transportation Engineer for Kaiser Engineers. Now playing golf, traveling, and prowling the Internet. ▼ **Ben Pearson IX**, husband of

Jean, father of two, is now living in Sheldon, SC. Ben recently sold out everything in Byfield and is building a new home in the real South. Before he moved, he had the "wonderful experience" of being on the Buildings and Grounds Committee of GDA, working on the design and starting the library and math/science buildings. He found that "very, very gratifying." Ben's son Benjamin is the tenth Pearson to bear that name. ▼ **Len Plavin**, living in Lewiston, ME, has been in the furniture business since he left GDA. He and his wife Marcy have three successful children. Len is playing golf and skiing and "...all the other [stuff] that aging people do," when weather and work permit. ▼ **George Pollin**, father of three, retired from the U.S. Army in 1976 and from being a "beltway bandit" (research consultant) in 1991. He and his wife Carolyn are enjoying retirement from his home in Springfield, VA. ▼ **Ed Tarbel** (his wife is Barbara) is a real estate broker, father of four, sometime author, and super dedicated deep-water ocean sailor living in New Castle, NH. He is actively competing in sailing races. Won his class at Marblehead in the P.H.R.F. Championships in 1995. Ed sailed across the Atlantic in 1977 and later sailed alone from Portsmouth, NH, to Florida in a 1928 Fishers Island sloop. He's sailed in four Marblehead-to-Halifax races. ▼ **Jack Wellman**, father of four by Charlotte, widowed in 1983, is now married to Frances, living in Murrels Inlet, SC. He sold his business the day Charlottie died — "bad timing" — tried retirement and didn't like it. He is boss (President) of J.E. Wellman (Indigo) Industries, a new company making a new "unique and innovative" man-made fiber. He expects his new product will be available in a little over a year. He and Frances have 16 grandchildren. He is still kinda busy. Jack, on the board of trustees in the 60s and 70s, has been a great supporter of GDA. ▼ **Sam Waugh**, father of five, for years president of a stock brokerage, has spent the last 20 years traveling around the world with his wife Sarah as a group tour director. When home, they live in Southport, CT. His son Fred "runs the Pequot Travel business so we can concentrate on escorting tours and cruises." ▼ **Nick Martin**, B.S. Yale '48, living in Louisville, KY, is now a consultant to the still-growing security company he founded in 1961, and recently gifted to two of his sons. Peggy, Nick's first wife, died in 1967, leaving him with three young boys. He married

Anne Hart, widowed with a young boy and young girl. Together they reared the five children. Nick, a fine tennis player, "ranked in doubles in Kentucky for the last 20 years," is still playing tournament level tennis, now in the 70s age group, up to four times a week. Bird watchers, he and Anne have "chased birds" in Mexico, Belize, Costa Rica and the upper Peruvian Amazon. ▼ **Gordon Hoyt** and his wife Cynthia are planning a trip to southern France in early October. Gordon has one-and-a-half years left working as C.E.O. of Hermitage Insurance Company. After that he will work as a part-time consultant. ▼ **John Whitney** writes, "During a discussion of the care of his canoe that brought us together at the Portland, ME, Boat Show on March 25, 1996, **John Andrew '54** and I fell into each others arms! We talked about GDA masters A. Macdonald Murphy, Buster Navins and Art Sager. Then, on to Camp Winona! What a pleasant surprise for both of us! Neither of us had ever met before! But we found out we had these joint chapters in our lives in common! Not too shabby, I'd say, for ten years difference!"

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**Warren Furth** writes, "In June, Margaret and I had a really interesting 10-day stay in Moscow, Russia, where I had last been 18 years ago. A lot of changes since then, most of them for the better. We stayed with a Russian family, whom we got to know in Geneva many years ago when the husband was an international official. I have been elected as a delegate of Democrats Abroad to the Democratic National convention in Chicago, August 26-30. I don't expect that Bill Clinton's fate will depend on my half vote at the Convention!" ▼ **Arch Kingsley** reports, "Arch, Jr. broke the track record by two seconds in steeplechase at Saratoga Race Track on August 8. He is presently the number-three rider in the country in number of winners. Needless to say, the old man is very proud." ▼ **Harriet and Lee Noyes** avoided the summer heat by spending a week in northern Michigan in July. They stayed at the Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island and enjoyed the quaintness and beauty of the area. ▼ **Brad Roberts** has been honored by the University of Nevada, Reno. He



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received the President's Medal at the 106th commencement ceremonies last May in recognition of his contributions to higher education as trustee since 1989, and as two-term vice chairman of the executive committee. Congratulations, Brad. ▼ **Bob Steinert** is recovering from a stroke suffered about a year ago. He reports he is making good progress and is looking forward to further improvement over time. Bob would be delighted to hear from his friends. His telephone is (310) 498-3000. His address is: 5250 Los Flores Street, Long Beach, CA 90815. ▼ We had a good time at our 50th Reunion, Part II last June. **Joy Towne** was a most welcome addition to the group, which included **Dick Cousins, Bo Jameson, Lee Noyes, Don Palais, Sy Symonds** and **Irv Williamson**, together with wives and friends.

## '46

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Hi, gang. Greetings from sunny, friendly Arizona! And welcome to all of us as the newest member of the Old Guard. Sad to say, my most recent appeal for news fell on almost deaf ears. Those responding were three reliables — **Brew Hemenway, Warren Hill** and **Lyndy Watkins**. As chance would have it, the missives from Messrs. Hemenway and Watkins both contained a literary "masterpiece," which had to date from our sophomore year and Perkins Hall. Included in the ribald vignette's cast of characters were **Lyndy, Bill Silver, your correspondent, Ed Cartwright, Pam Blumenthal** and **Bots Young**. The author of the magnum opus was not identified, but the finger of guilt points in the direction of Señor Hemenway. ▼ Brew's rundown of current activities numbers a visit to Maskoka, a beautiful lake country near the Georgian Bay. The itinerary also includes a family reunion with all the children and eight grandchildren in the Berkshires, followed by a Renaissance cruise in the Baltic, with stops at Stockholm, Visby, St. Petersburg, Tallen, Helsinki and Copenhagen. ▼ **Lyndy's** communiqué announced the completion of a seven-month remodeling job — a gutting of the house and expansion towards the water. The result, says

**Lyndy**, has been great. ▼ Great to hear from you. Sure hope to see you both this fall. ▼ As for **Warren Hill**, he's been busy this summer. A trip to Maine and a visit to my old campgrounds in the Camden area. Then a week in Florida in July with kids, granddaughter, et. al. And, like me, he gives the highest marks to our 50th Reunion. ▼ **Bill Silver** is an assistant medical examiner in Dade County, FL. He serves as Director of the Mass Disaster Identification Team. He just completed a task of identifying persons by dental evidence in the recent ValuJet plane crash. ▼ I really wish all of you had been in South Byfield the weekend of June 14. It was a weekend to be cherished forever. My only disappointment was that my wife Val couldn't share the many magnificent moments. Our turnout was strong in both quantity and quality. Here's the lineup: **Rita and Paul Gaudin, Liz and Brew Hemenway, Warren Hill, Sandy and Herb Levine, Nancy and Ed Maxson, Meg and Doug Miller, Ted Mixer, Marcia and Bill Silver, Marilyn and Lyndy Watkins** and **Debbie and Bob Waugh**.

## '47

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50TH CLASS REUNION  
JUNE 13, 14, 15

Our 50th year! We're *there*!! And let's all resolve right now to be back in Byfield next June 13, 14 and 15 for what promises to be GDA's biggest 50th ever. Plans are already well underway as the honor class of the '97 Reunion Weekend at GDA, 1947 will be well-hosted by the school: a special Class dinner at the Mansion House, leading the alumni/ae parade, a champagne luncheon, tennis, golf for those who wish to participate...and there's lots more. **Jack Deering** and **Joe Welch** share the title of Head Reunion Agent, so you can expect to get a phone call or two as we get further into our 50th year. Other members of the Reunion Committee include **Bill Bailey, Henry Dunker, Kevin Gaffney, Dan Hall, Brad Harlow, Jim Knott, Don Knowlton, Charlie McLaughlin, Pat Patterson, Bill Philbrick, Ed Rogers, Jim Soper** and **Peter Sutton**. ▼ Speaking of **Joe Welch**, he has just received another

high honor from Dartmouth College, his alma mater. As regular readers of this column know, Joe is a long-term president of Dartmouth's Class of 1951. In naming Joe the 1996 *Class President of the Year*, the citation by Dartmouth's president included the following observations of our classmate: "In Newburyport, you have become a leading citizen, having served in a dozen or more civic, educational, charitable and professional organizations.... You've



**Long run:** In 1946, GDA teammates **Sam Gwynne '47** and **Fritz Freeman '48** (top) were befriended by Red Sox pitching ace **David "Boo" Ferriss**, who procured "big league" gloves for them and treated them to World Series tickets. In June 1996, the Sox hosted a reunion of the '46 team, bringing together **Ferris** (center), **Freeman** and **Gwynne**.

brought 1951 to great prominence and respect everywhere in the college community. Under your guidance and drive, the class has come together into a tightly knit organization that supports Dartmouth in many ways.... The Class of 1951 is a remarkable one, one that you can take credit for leading in such a distinguished way." The citation also noted that **Joe's** father, brother and daughter **Amy** are all graduates of Dartmouth. Congratulations to **Joe** on



this recognition by Dartmouth College. ▼ **Bill Pierce**, the fine first-baseman on the 1947 baseball team, submits good news on two fronts. First, the family: Bill and Lucille had their first grandchild, whose name is Brian Foley. And on the medical front: Bill had his third open-heart operation this June and reports that everything went well. He says that recovery is a slow process, but things are progressing. He is planning to return in June for the 50th Reunion. ▼ **Bill Philbrick** reports that he and Katy are looking forward to the 50th. He will be heading up the golf activity on Saturday afternoon (June 14), so all you golfers get ready. ▼ **Ed Rogers** is struggling with his recovery from a recent stroke. He is revelling in his seven sons and daughters and the now 14 grandchildren! ▼ **Peter Sutton** recently formed a new company to sell and install electric fencing...just before the passage of a town ordinance which mandated such pet control. (Did Peter know something?) ▼ Your Class Secretary and his wife Nancy are both members of a choral group which had its first European concert tour this spring. We sang our way across Germany, Belgium and Holland. We were fortunate to be in Holland at the very peak of that country's season for flowers. We cruised the length of the Rhine River, singing as we went, with an occasional stop to sample the product of a local vineyard. Another highlight of our memory-making tour was singing our way through the canals of Amsterdam at night, with the townspeople gathered along the banks to hear us. ▼ It has been your Secretary's thinking that GDA keeps good records of its alumni, meaning those former students who graduated and also those former students who did not graduate (the Class of '47 has 12 DNGs). But here's a surprise: The school has no record of **Richard "Jake" Stahl**. Jake is not in our *Milestone*, although he was a senior in the spring of 1947 and was the manager of the baseball team. He does not show up on the official GDA listing of our Class, which includes everyone who was ever a member — living, deceased, lost, DNGs — everyone who was ever a member — but *no* Jake. In fact, he does not show up on the computer, which lists everyone who matriculated at GDA for at least one year. So here's an A.P.B.: if you have any information on Jake Stahl '47, please let either your Secretary or the Alumni/ae Office know! We know that, despite what the GDA computer tells us, he did most certainly exist — and we would like to have any information on him: Did he go to college? Did he continue to

## Gemmer Receives Honor from *Time* Magazine

**P**hillip Gemmer '48, president of Forest City Chevrolet/Saab in Portland, ME, has received a *Time* magazine Quality Dealer Award.

The award program, sponsored in association with Goodyear Tire & Rubber and the National Automobile Dealers Association, recognizes industry performance and community service. Gemmer is one of only 66 dealers from 20,500 nationwide to be nominated for the award. Winners were selected by a panel of faculty members from the University of Michigan's graduate school of business administration.

Gemmer began his career in 1955 as a salesman for his family-owned business. He is now president and dealership operator. His community service includes involvement as a director of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, the Y.M.C.A., the American Red Cross and Child and Family Services.

live in Springfield, MA? Did he get married? I can think of a certain well-known former baseball coach who might add a query like, "Did he ever learn to tie his own shoes?" but we'll dispense with that as we seek serious information about our classmates. One of the things we remember best about Jake is the great good humor that existed between him and Buster Navins...beginning with giving him the name "Jake." ▼ On a less happy note, it is your Secretary's job to report the death of **Dick MacDuffie** in Boca Raton on March 25, 1996. The death of a classmates reminds us of our own mortality and of our advancing years. But the recent death of Dick MacDuffie reminds us of how blessed we are — and how thankful we should be. And what true courage is.... Dick was a lifetime diabetic. When he was at GDA, he was the only insulin-dependent student in the school, but he participated in a full schedule of athletics. The complications were to catch up with him, however. In 1982 he had open-heart surgery. His recovery was severely complicated by his diabetes and was very, very slow. He was obliged to have one leg amputated above the knee in the mid-1980s; two years later, the other leg was amputated above the knee. In 1994, he had his left hand amputated, and he was put on a pacemaker. He developed peripheral vascular disease and was on kidney dialysis three times a week for the last

two years of his life. Throughout his medically troubled life, and most especially during his last six months, his doctors were literally amazed at his will to live. He never gave in. Dick was blessed to have Lynn (Shoals) as his wife, and her 24-hour-a-day, seven-day-a-week, 30-day-a-month, 365-day-a-year care eased much of Dick's suffering — until last fall. She says, "Dick was in so much pain those last six months. Everything that could go wrong for him did. He was so brave." To Lynn, the Class of 1947 expresses its admiration and compassion for her steadfastness in the face of all she's been through. To the couple's five children and ten grandchildren, Dick's classmates extend sympathetic best wishes.

# '48

Ash Eames: "My son Ted, who grew up in Moody House and Ingham, is now a consultant in New York City with Delta Systems. I have just completed a documentary video and activists' guide on Nicaragua and the World Bank." ▼ **Bob Hill**: "Looking forward to attending our 50th Reunion. **Bill Lindquist** owes me a telephone call. Do I have to pay the toll from Sanibel to Ft. Myers Beach to get us together, Bill?" ▼ **Pete Houston**: "If you are still looking for that perfect place to retire, come on down to

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Williamsburg, VA, and live it up!" ▼ **Peter Wagner**: "Completed two trips to Desolation Sound, San Juan Island and South Sound of Puget Sound in Seattle area aboard Whampoa 40' offshore cruising yacht. Weather terrific. Niece **Anna Hill '85** married Mark Gerry, GDA's football coach."

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As my classmates are aware, I have been back and forth between America and



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Australia quite a bit this past year and I expect to be doing more of that in the time ahead. In fact, we will be in Williamstown from September 19th until shortly after Christmas. ▼ Had a great golf outing in July with **Manson Hall**



**Fabulous Fifties:** Tim Greene '50 and Ted Barows '51 were among the invitees to the first annual Leadership Society Dinner in September.

and **Tom Emery** on Cape Cod. Lobster and beer helped make up for the lousy golf — lots of fun. ▼ Had a note from **Bud Frame** and as we expect to be in Ithica, NY, for the Dartmouth-Cornell football game on October 26th, we are going to get together with Bud and Peggy for the night of the 27th. It's been a long time and I am looking forward to it. ▼ **John Canepa** has finally retired as Chairman of Old Kent Financial Corporation in Grand Rapids. John had been there since 1970 as Senior Vice President and ultimately served for 23 years as Chief Executive Officer of the bank. Time now John to relax a little — perhaps you should have a round of golf with Tom, Manson and myself. ▼ Had a wonderful newsy letter from **Bill Chamberlain**, who has relocated in Missouri at the Lake of the Ozarks. He describes the last as 127 miles long with 1200 miles of shoreline — beautiful country. Bill is involved in a development program for a small community hospital, which was begun in 1978 and continues to grow as does the community. Bill makes mention of working on his golf game as well — it has to be better than mine — Tom and Manson would vouch for that. ▼ Thanks, **Len Johnson**, for your nice note. Sorry for the duplication and confusion. ▼ Hope this finds everyone well and enjoying the fall season.

## '50

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Since **Mal Robertson** just missed my last deadline in the spring, his news goes back to his January trip to the Rose Bowl where he "had a great time even though Northwestern lost." "Wait 'til next year!," says Mal, who continues to be active with sales consulting for a sign company. ▼ The Mammoth Mountain saga solution came with the spring thaw. A long letter from **Dick Patton** arrived in June confessing that his GDA buddies had let him down. "Towards the last minute Bishop bought a boat, or mini yacht. Anyway, it was somewhere between 40 to 100 feet and he needed to sail it home from Tortola, British Virgin Islands to Cape Cod. Tulloch at the last minute had to go to a must-do merger talk in Canada." Dick, not to be outdone, took a friend with a hot air balloon. The skiing was great, but the balloon launch was aborted because of high winds. The Pattons embarked on another river and canal cruise in France during the summer, traveling the English Channel south through Brittany for nine days and just missing the Tullochs in Paris. Dick says, "the Class news in *The Archon* is a great way to keep in touch, and the way time flies, our 50th is only a few weeks away." I hope Dick's words will be an inspiration to others. ▼ **Dave Esty's** response to the postcard's question, "Class" is "a little." That is up from "very little" the previous time, so Dave is clearly making significant progress. Does residence in Rhode Island have anything to do with this? ▼ An August card from Dick Patton laments the lack of contact with GDA alums in the L.A. area. Son Robert is about to begin his last year of college with hopes of going into the construction field. Daughter Lynda, in search of a new career, is working as an extra in the movie/TV industry. Dick is planning to retire from the brokerage business in 1997, down from one-third time now. He'll have to find a way out of his directorship of a bank holding company to be totally free. He sends best regards to all. ▼ **Jack Ives** is "slowing down a bit, having settled in Mt. Pleasant, just outside Charleston, SC." He still goes to New York about one week a month, but his new residence "allows frequent visits to/from daughter

Angela '93, a senior at Clemson." ▼ Our age is showing. **Bill Fletcher** "retired at the end of May after 24 years as proprietor of Battle Green Stamp Company." He plans on additional traveling and a move to Cape Cod. ▼ **Elliott Williams** "retired after 18 years at Cheshire Academy and moved to Florida," where he is doing some Independent School placement. To get away from the heat and humidity of Florida, Elliott and Mary took positions at Old Faithful Inn in Yellowstone National Park for the summer season. It sounds good to me. ▼ Still very much on the job is **Tim Greene**. His daughter Jody has completed a master of education degree and will be teaching kindergarten at the Leslie Ellis School in Arlington, MA. "It's wonderful to have an educator in the family." Son Chris manages installation of equipment on municipal vehicles in Marlboro, MA. ▼ My trip to the Olympics met all expectations. I saw happy people from all over the world having a wonderful experience thanks to the outstanding hospitality of the Atlanta community. The U.S. women's teams really made us proud by their demeanor, as well as their success. Please don't disappoint Dick Patton, me and the rest of our classmates. Keep the news coming and keep the focus on Byfield in 2000.

## '51

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Our 45th Class Reunion was an unqualified success, though we missed those who were unable to be there. A list of those attending follows: Bill Atwell, Ted Barrows, Ken Bistany, Dick Bittner, Dave Bullock, Peter Dunning, Fred Franzius, Chuck Gesen, Ben Hawkins, Chuck Hussey, George Kirkham, Bill Lacey, George McGregor, Dave Pope, Bud Reith, Bob Wenz and Jim White. Once again, we extend special thanks to the Lacey's



for Friday evening's barbecue, the Popes for a lobster cookout at the beach on Sunday and to Mike Moonves and the GDA staff for a well coordinated weekend. ▼ **George McGregor** reports that **Chuck Hussey** was entrusted with a camera by the school to take pictures, "probably because he has an LLD after his name." George has sent the pictures to Chuck with Class names and ad-



**Classmates:** Frank Huntress and Howard Quimby represent the Class of '52 at September's Leadership Society Dinner.

dresses to be forwarded on as in a chain letter, so don't break the chain when they get to you. ▼ **Dick Bittner** had such a good time that he returned to the East Coast, naturally, for more. He joined up with **Fred Franzius** aboard "Motu," and they set sail from Groton for an odyssey on the high seas. I knew they had arrived in Bristol Saturday afternoon when I heard the singing of the *Senior Song*! Jackie and I took them in, gave them sustenance (some liquid) and a dry bed and thoroughly enjoyed their visit. Sunday they sailed out of beautiful Narragansett Bay to Menemsha to visit with the vacationing Bullocks. From there it was on the Block Island, where Carol and **Rob Louttit** have a lovely summer home.

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**John Burns:** "Winding down a 40-year career with Shell Oil Co. Chemical Group by mid-1996. Will maintain my New Jersey home in Ridgewood, NJ, and summer home in Westfield, MA. Still roaming the links and maintain a seven handicap at Ridgewood CC. Hard to

believe where the time has gone since I left South Byfield."

'53

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Had a few misses as well as the opportunity to connect with a few of our classmates during my fund drive calls....

▼ **Peter Donald** lives in Englewood, CO. I was told he "works out of the U.S. and won't be back until July." This gave me a new perspective on my travel schedule.

▼ Heard **Parker Field's** voice for the first time in many years, but phone messages are one-sided and disappointing. ▼

**Allen Staley** lives in Manhattan and teaches art history at Columbia. His brother Wally participated in three Olympics and was able to carry the Olympic torch. ▼ **Dunlap Weichsel** is alive and well and still living in Dallas.

Was in real estate and is now serving his second term as City Councilman for Highland Park, TX. ▼ **Dr. Tom Whitney** is living in South Paris, ME, where he's been a pediatrician for 19 years. His schooling and profession have taken him to Chapel Hill, Rochester, Exeter and Mississippi. He didn't acquire a southern accent, and it was heartening to hear his reassuring voice after all these years. ▼ Cards from several people: **Charlie Palmer** says all is well with the Palmers.

Daughters Susan ('96 Cornell Law graduate) and Sandy (fourth grade teacher in Harrisonburg, VA) are excellent. Wife Pat and the Palms are super. (Especially now that both daughters have graduated....) ▼ **Mark Lowell** is still living in Tonapah, AZ. Had an industrial accident three days after Christmas and almost lost his left foot. Was on crutches for his son Gus' wedding, and still hobbling when they went to the N.E. in May. He's still not back to work. Still limps, but doing better. (All the best, Mark. We hope you are fully recovered by now.) ▼ **David Abramson** writes that he is leading a "happy life." Great marriage, five daughters, excellent health. Chair/CEO of *meaningful* marketing communications firm. Chair of D.C. Committee to Promote Washington — a great deal of civic activity and he hopes *meaningful* as well. Daughter #1 has been in Managua, Nicaragua since 1985 — two granddaughters ("what else?") working on childbirth, debts up to two years old with A.I.D., P.A.H.O. and N.I.C. Government. Daughter #2, Arizona living; #3,

NYC journalism pursuit; #4, sophomore at Stanford; #5, 10 years old. (Sounds like Dave has a few years to go before considering retirement....) Dave sends sincere regards to all those who can and do remember. ▼ **John Hall** is involved with publishing materials in language arts, phonics, vocabulary, spelling, reading comprehension and learning differences for K-12. Says it is keeping him busy in Cambridge, MA. **Jen Noon '92** has just joined John's firm as an editor. ▼ Anyone interested in real estate in the Wellesley area would do well to contact **Tom Windle**. Tom sent an impressive brochure with his photo (looks trim and handsome and still has hair) announcing that he has sold his real estate business to De Wolfe New England, and he now works for the De Wolfe organization. Says he finds that not owning his own business gives him a *little* more time for golf and tennis. ▼ Sue and I just returned from two wonderful weeks in Colorado. A nice break from the hectic pace at Weyerhaeuser. (I'm not complaining; it pays the rent and keeps me active.) Our eight-year-old grandson challenged us to keep up with him on the trails. We had our normal brush with thunderstorms above tree line (12,000 ft.), which always makes life exciting. Son Michael and his girlfriend also detoured several hundred miles enroute from Seattle to school in Denton, TX. We certainly live in a mobile society. Our best to all. Hope you had a great summer.

'54

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**Dick Michelson:** "I continue to enjoy retirement. Had a great two-month trip to Japan, Thailand, Vietnam and China in the spring. Continue to climb and backpack in the mountains a day or two a week. Moved into a new home last fall. Continue to stay in good shape: I weigh the same as when I graduated from GDA!" ▼ **K. Dodd Miles:** "Tried to retire June '95 but got drafted to another job. Will try again in January '97. Got a new right hip in April '95, which goes to show I shouldn't have been playing soccer in my mid 40s. It's going to be fall soon, so I'll again be thinking about walking to Dodge's for cider. Regards to all." ▼ **John Moyer:** "Presently partners with a long-time friend, my son and a recent affiliate of another firm (Dumas,



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Moyer and Leoy) in the securities business. Have three children — two boys and a girl, all married.” ▼ **Michael Smith:** “Took my older boy Devereux to Paris this summer, where he spent four weeks with a French friend. It is amazing to see Paris through the eyes of a seven-year-old! We are in the process of rebuilding our house after a microwave explosion ruined our kitchen. Hopefully this will be done by Thanksgiving.” ▼ **Gerard Vaughan:** “I have finally come full circle from my Air Force flying days. After five years working at Skip Pescosolido’s Tropicana Energy Petroleum business in Irving, TX, and a short stint in the automotive arena, I have returned to the aeronautical world. I now work for McDonnell Douglas as an instructor pilot. I teach Air Force pilots how to fly the new Air Force C-17 Heavy Jet Transport, and I get to do it right here in Charleston, SC. Y’all come down now.”

'55

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About a year ago, **Dick Bartlett** and his wife retired from their jobs to enjoy the opportunities provided by travel, boating and trips to the South. ▼ **Jim Dean’s** daughter Penny was married this summer, his son Bart became engaged to a girl from Denver. He traveled down to the Olympics and did Habitat For Humanity in inner city Hartford. ▼ **Gordie Martin** sent a note at Reunion time to say that ill health was keeping him from attending, but he wished us all well and he loves the school. His wife is caring for him in New Britain, CT. ▼ In a conversation not too long ago, **Rey Moulton** and **Tom Elder** discovered that their two sons were both working for the same advertising firm in San Francisco. Surprise! ▼ Can you believe it? **Widge Needham** is now a grandfather! His grandson James Lowell Thorndike is now six months old. His daughter and husband live in Newton, and she is on a Harvard fellowship to Massachusetts

General Hospital as a doctor and doing research in public health. ▼ The following was provided by **Joe MacLeod:** “Our 40th Reunion was a wonderful experience. At Friday night’s dinner, in our special room, led by **Rey Moulton (Phyllis)**, we toasted classmates not with us, handed out ‘special’ awards to a lucky few, and then each person gave a poignant and/or humorous story relating to GDA. **John Wilson (Loraine)**



**Good friends:** Dick Pew '54 and Rey Moulton '56 pose during their preparation to raft the middle fork of Idaho's Stanley River as part of a trip sponsored by the R.E. Moulton, Inc.

and Hunt joined forces in a rendering of ‘clearing out the library on a snow evening.’ Other stories paled. Art Sager would have been proud of **Tom Elder (Jackie)**, **John Tisdale (Thelma)**, **John Henry (Kate)**, **Herb Hodos (Janet)**, **Peter Renkert (Joanne)**, **Art Balser**, **Chuck Duncan**, **Tony Miller**, **Don Dunsford**, **George Needham**, **La Nichols (Pat)**, **Jim Dean (Dianne)** and **Joe MacLeod (Carolyn)**. Jim got so carried away, he offered to stay on as Class Secretary and was roundly applauded for his past and future efforts. Special mention must be made of **Tony Miller**, who made the trek from England and **Don Dunsford** from California to visit. It was terrific to see them. Tony still talks funny. Saturday brought about various activities, comprising of sporting events, golf, road races, touring and a nap or two. Peter and Joanne were nice enough to share their sailboat with a sail outside Newburyport harbor. In the afternoon,

we enjoyed singing in the chapel and the treat of listening to Tony in the Meistersingers. Saturday night started off with a rousing cocktail hour and class pictures outside the gym, followed by dinner with dancing to a ‘lively’ band. MacLeod said he was able to hear the music! ▼ After Sunday breakfast, farewells were made and all wended their ways home. If you were not able to attend — know this — you were thought of and asked about. Be sure to make the next Reunion!

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First and foremost, a big “thank you” to **Frank Dickerson** and **Wink Pescosolido**, who have “volunteered” to be Class Agents for the Class of 1957. For Skip this is the second time around, and we sure have a great team with these two classmates. Please guys, give them your support. ▼ Nice notes (as usual) from **Jeff Fitts**. The Fitts Insurance Agency opened a new office (the 19th hole) and bought another local agency. It’s a real family affair, with Jeff’s wife Sandy and sons Tim and Chris all in the business. Oldest son Jon is into cemetery planning and landscaping. ▼ **Tom Chalfant** (tchalf4272@aol.com) has begun his 27th year teaching at Alabama State University (a.k.a. The Hornets). Due to his longevity and track exploits at GDA, Tom anticipates the new stadium at A.S.U. will be Font Field. No argument here! ▼ The spring of 1997 marks our 40th since graduation. I hope we can have a good turnout from what history may record as GDA’s most dormant class.

'58

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**Mike Dunsford** reported that he is by now a grandfather for the first time and that his step-daughter Betsy gets married in September. Mike also reported that he very much enjoys hearing about his classmates through *The Archon* and has been in touch with his old friend **Wayne**



**Hockmeyer**, who is running a highly successful outdoor adventure company called Northern Outdoors in Maine, which features rafting vacations, rock climbing training, outdoor team building activities and other environmentally oriented youth programs. Each year Wayne's brochure contains new and exciting adventures for outdoor enthusiasts. Mike also reported a rumor that **Gump Hayden** will soon be retiring from Delta; the alleged reason has nothing to do with Gump's age, but was due to the apparent fact that he has shrunk another one-half inch and could no longer reach the pedals. I am not in a position to confirm or deny that report.

▼ **Jack Morse** reported that on one of his many flights, an announcement came over the loudspeaker that the pilot for that flight was Captain Hayden. Jack reported a momentary panic, but was reassured by the Captain's calming words. Jack, incidentally, is President and CEO of Global Access Telecommunications Services, Inc. That sounds like an \$800 suit type job of job, as had been previously reported by Captain Hayden.

▼ **Richard Morse** is back in the United States on furlough for the fall of 1996, taking a break from his missionary and medical work at Tenwek Hospital in Kenya. Tenwek continues to provide for the spiritual and medical needs of thousands of local residents, with 11,000 admission and 53,000 outpatient visits to the hospital during the past year and over 3,500 new converts to the Christian faith being reported. ▼ **Nuff**

**Withington** reports that he is not yet thinking of retirement, with his youngest child being a senior at GDA and four years of college in the future. Nuff reports no grandchildren, but he does have a married daughter with two sheepdogs. ▼ If the Class of 1958 wants to hear about more of their classmates, they will have to respond to my next letter.

'59

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**Jim Foley**: "For almost a year now, I've been volunteering on the Dental Van in Lawrence, MA, called Caring for Children. This is sponsored by Blue Cross/Blue Shield and the Massachusetts Dental Society. We do dental exams for all the school kids from K-8 in all Lawrence schools. Free medical physicals are given as well. I'm usually on

board every other Friday. It's rewarding and keeps me out of trouble. Secondly, I participate in the Ryan White Care Act. Here, dentists treat HIV-positive patients. Actually, I'm the only one in the area who does this, and I have patients from Newburyport, Ipswich, Lowell and as far away as Concord and Manchester, NH. It's too bad we can't get more dental participants. I've finally gone on-line computerwise and have actually been e-mailing **John Catlett** on a regular basis, and have followed him from Vienna to New York to London, where he is now living. Anybody can e-mail me at 103740,3510 on Compuserve. I also have an Internet number: 103740.3510@compuserve.com. I'd love to hear from classmates who are on-line. Finally, spent some time in Nova Scotia this summer looking at property. I finally see the end of the tunnel: early retirement in about four years, and I can't wait to get to Canada."

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**Pete Boynton** enjoyed lunch with Cathie and **Tom Woodruff** and son Tom, as well as **Dick Snowdon**. He cooled off from the Washington, D.C., heat on Cape Cod in mid-July — a real treat to get back to Massachusetts after these many years. Pete was unable to attend the Reunion due to a family emergency, but he sent an e-mail to GDA which was passed to all class members in attendance. Included in that message was an invitation to visit him and wife Jacqueline if in the Washington area. Address: 6725 Churchill Road, McLean, VA; phone: 703-893-6260 (H) or 703-884-8028 (O). ▼ **Dave Clark** recently completed his five-year tenure as treasurer of a non-profit P.A.C. supporting education in the Beaverton school district. During this period of fiscal austerity, the district was still able to float \$165,000,000 in educational bond issues. Additionally, Dave has been politically active in two state-wide (Oregon) efforts to increase tax



**Leaders:** Dottie Bragdon and Carl Youngman '60 pose together during the Leadership Society Dinner festivities at the Mansion House.

revenue to replace that lost by reduced property taxes. Dave's daughter, 17, is doing well academically and was chosen to co-captain the Sunset High School Color Guard, which performs at school athletic events, as well as in competitions throughout Washington and Oregon. They planned (at the time of writing) to visit with relatives in New England in July. ▼ **Tony Garland** was unable to attend the Reunion, but sent a *Boston Globe* article about the Island Medical Center — an extraordinary report dealing with the overwhelming difficulties of providing medical support to the Maine residents of Blue Hill peninsula, Deer Isle, and the remote Isle au Haut. Copies were provided to classmates at GDA, and I will provide a copy to any interested readers on request (not limited to the Class of '61.) ▼ **Bert Noyes** writes that he has been working as a senior engineer in controls and accessories for the last 20 years at G.E. Aircraft Engines in Lynn, MA. Bert's son is at the University of Massachusetts (Lowell), working on a solar car race entry, and his daughter is studying art history at Harvard. ▼ On Saturday of the Reunion, **Tom Mercer** flew in from Texas and joined Katie and Dick Snowdon, Deana and **Dave Stringer**, Cathie and Tom Woodruff and me for the dinner and blowout at the field house. ▼ Finally, I want to mention **Denis Golden**. Although officially a member of the Class of '62, Denny was a charter member of the original Ambrose mafia that drove Mr. Nagle into a different line of work. He did two marvelous renditions of "Captain of the Pinafore" for Art Sager and an S.R.O. crowd in the chapel



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(one rendition was with the correct score).

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**Don Balser:** "After almost 30 years with Holyoke Mutual Insurance Co., I opted for early retirement, and am now involved with a start-up effort to introduce Internet processing and distribution to the property/casualty insurance industry. Having partnered with AT&T and other companies, the project is quite exciting, although the transition to a technology environment has been somewhat of a culture shock. All in all, having a good time! The years have passed quickly by, and it doesn't seem possible that our son Andy is through college with the past three years in Alaska (environmental and ecological research while completing his graduate degree), and recently marrying his college (Middlebury) sweetheart Molly this past June (a great four-and-a-half day party and celebration at Jekyel Island and St. Simon in Georgia. Yes, I did the Macarena!). Then, Molly and Andy were off to Africa for two-and-a-half months. Times have changed! Linda and I continue to enjoy it all and look forward to still more change and excitement in the days ahead!" ▼ **Robert Canterbury:** "My latest professional incarnation is as a theatrical milliner. In the first six months of this year, I have made hats for the Lyric Theatre's

production of *Lady Windemere's Fan*, Coyote Theatre's *Like the Rain....* (Tennessee Williams), the Vincent Club's fundraiser for Massachusetts General Hospital and the Bucks Country (PA) production of *Hello Dolly*." ▼ **Mark O'Brien:** "Good news! They must have lost the academic records of the '60's. Despite his father's checkered career in South Byfield, my oldest son Conor entered GDA with the Class of 2000! Trevor (seventh grade) and Kerry (sixth) hopefully to follow."

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Special kudos to several classmates for their spontaneous contributions to the Class Notes while your flaky Class Secretary was otherwise preoccupied with neuroscience and dogs (both arenas proceeding nicely). ▼ Especially wonderful to receive an e-mail dispatch from **D. Brewer Eddy**, who has been residing in the Williamsburg, VA, area for the past eight years. Into computers by 1980, he currently is employed in that vein at the College of William and Mary. He confides that his life with Jean, his wife of 16 years — formerly a nurse and presently a veterinarian — is his chief happiness in life. Outside of his work, his family and his ongoing love of playing/repairing banjos and guitars, he has joined a Civil War re-enactor bunch: F-Company, 21st VA Volunteer Infantry. Thanks for checking in with us, Brewer, and we hope to see you at our 35th Reunion in June, 2000! ▼ Special thanks to **Nick Apollonio** for a postcard that arrived in the spring. Nick writes that he was unable to make it to the 30th Reunion because he and his family were moving into a new house. He is still making guitars, doing boat work, etc., in Rockport, ME. His son Ben is now 12 and daughter Elizabeth is seven. Both are doing well in school; his son plays the sax and his daughter is taking off on piano and art work. ▼ Thanks also to **Henry Horenstein** for sending an announcement of an exhibit of his photographic work that ran from June to August this past summer at the Bonni Benrubi Gallery on New York's East 76th Street. ▼ Following some of the exploits

of one of our classmates — our peripatetic newsman **Mark Starr** — is made easier by the public nature of his labors as National Sports Correspondent and Boston Bureau Chief of Newsweek magazine. I hope that many of you have enjoyed, as I have, his carefully penned prose in a series of bylines leading up to and throughout the recent Atlanta Olympics. How exciting to be right in the thick of things! Great to see Mark's visage among those of the assembled news team at the front of the July 22 issue! ▼ While on the subject, the Summer Olympics and, of course, the presidential elections, are both quadrennial events that can serve as temporal yardsticks — familiar milestones against which the continuum of our lives can be measured. As a fellow Govie, I realize how charged the "Milestone" concept is to us all. I evoke such a hallowed name because, as a Class, we are all in the process of reaching one such potent milestone in our individual lives — that of our 50th birthday — mine to occur at the end of this year. In view of the very sad but undeniable fact that several of our comrades have already left this earthly frame, it seems to me all the more important and desirable for those of us still kicking to check in with an update on our activities and our lives at this juncture. During this next year or so, I hope that each of you will consider writing in to at least say hello. And of course, it's never premature to start planning on attending our next gathering in Byfield, three-and-a-half years hence. In the meantime, enjoy the holidays ahead and have a great New Year in 1997.

## '66

**Brad Silsby:** "Ended a 20-year career developing new programs and facilities for a local hospital and health care system to join a small partnership specializing in real estate development for institutions in a more entrepreneurial endeavor."

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You've missed your chance to have **Dick Boucher** build you a custom home in the Lehigh Valley. Dick has closed that successful business, and he and Pam are fixing to enlarge the Class' Florida delegation sometime in 1997. Their son Daniel, 13, is interested in GDA. ▼ Florida recently lost a member of the Class. After almost a quarter-century in South Florida as a golf pro, golf director and country club general manager, **Rick Jensen** has "retired" to Bristow, OK, as he had long planned to do before reaching 50. Located about 45 minutes from Tulsa in wife Marilyn's hometown, Rick is now watching over cattle — and playing a little golf. ▼ **Don Congdon** hasn't moved recently, but he's helping his parents pull up stakes in Concord, NH, and replant them farther east, in Dover. ▼ If you're getting fired up about the total eclipse of the sun in February, 1998, check in with **Stan Greenberg**. He is trying to pick a spot in the Caribbean to get a good look. ▼ **Jeff Wood** has become an avid flyfisherman. Though traveling less than he used to for the Direct Marketing Association, he did get to L.A. earlier this year, and had dinner with fellow American University alumnus **Wil Poon**. ▼ **Rem Clark** is one of the many starting to come to grips with college-age children. His oldest, Ashley, has just started at Roanoke College in Virginia, which was eager to obtain her volleyball skills. ▼ Don't go to the Mattress Discounters store in Danvers expecting to buy from **Mike Miles**. He's been made the manager at the Saugus store. ▼ Luciano Pavarotti was accompanied by **Don Gay** and 150 others last April at the gala opening of the Detroit Opera House. Later in the year, Don did a one-week singing tour in England with the Archdiocese Chorus of Detroit. ▼ **Andy Rimmington** is enjoying his graduate work at the University of British Columbia in Vancouver. But hold onto your hats: Andy is headed for Byfield in June to attend our 30th Reunion, as part of a trip that will take him to the Railway and Locomotive Historical Society HQ in

Cambridge. All aboard. ▼ That Reunion was the subject of a July meeting in Fenway Park's 600 Club, hosted by **Bill Alfond**. It was attended by 15 percent of the Class, blasting the GDA record — and possibly the U.S. record, as well. On hand, besides Bill, were **Paul Hemmerich**, **Gene Romero**, **Gardner Sisk**, **Mike Miles**, **Rem Clark**, **Ben Beach**, **Jeff Harris**, **Joe Story**, **Dan Morgan** and **Roger Block**. The Red Sox won big. ▼ From his Amherst base, **Dave Marsh** sees lots of the underdeveloped world, working for Save the Children. His three sons have discovered an oldies station and sing plenty of Beatles songs. "That helps keep me young and optimistic, a bit," Dave reports. ▼ After getting favorable publicity on *Chronicle* (Channel 5, Boston), the Gardner Mattress Company saw its sales surge, especially in Connecticut and New York. **C.E.O. Gardner Sisk** appeared on the show. ▼ **Kevin Leary**, a marketing man, has returned to Cordell Engineering after a few years with Maple Development. That may mean some more international travel eventually. ▼ **Lew Rumford** is looking for a few good squash recipes in order to process the bumper crop from his Keystone State farm. He's also doing well with cucumbers and tomatoes and is willing to market this produce to bill-paying New England boarding schools. ▼ **Win Burt** is the proud owner of a home overlooking a cove in Maine, and he spent much of a four-month leave from his D.A. job there this year. Win enjoys getting out on an old 30-foot sailboat. ▼ **Harper Follansbee** took some time off, too, but is now back at Rivers Country Day teaching English and coaching the younger boys in soccer. ▼ Next time you read about proposals to cut the I.R.S. work force, think of **Dave Tucker**, toiling away at the Andover service center. As the workload increases, his unit is shrinking. ▼ **Roger Block** is now Executive Vice President for Information Services at Olympus Healthcare Group, based in Westborough, MA. ▼ **Stark Beatty** and **Andy Rimmington** may live farther north, but **Wayne Noel**, a resident of Vermont's Northern Kingdom, probably endures colder winters than anyone else in the Class. He's ready to let someone else have that distinction and is trying to find the right timing and opportunity to move. Wayne's favorite pastime: playing the piano.

'68

**William Black**: "Finally acquired P.C. Will take me 10 years to figure it out! Didn't have the advantage of corporate training in '68. Hello to **Josh Burns**!" ▼ **David Mitchell**: "Working now at I.M.G., Mark McCormack's sports marketing company. Manage all U.S.

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licensing. Rehabbing a 200-plus-year-old house ourselves. It goes very slowly, but is rewarding. Best to all."

'69

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**Gary Martin** writes that his youngest of four children (age six) is starting school this year. His own math calculations show that he may well be retired by the time his son finishes school. ▼ **Josh Miner**'s daughter just graduated from GDA and is headed off to Lewis and Clark College in Portland, OR. Josh's father Josh gave the graduation address at GDA this year. Josh's son Josh is now a junior at GDA, and Josh himself is a Trustee at GDA. If all of that is not enough for one set of Class Notes, Josh writes that all else pales in comparison to the fact that he just shot his second hole-in-one. ▼ **Rick Robbins** writes that he just started a new endeavor as a part owner and manager of the first Internet school developed for homeschoolers. He says it is a fascinating opportunity to help children and their families, and a business with a wonderful potential as well. (By the way, he is looking for investors!) ▼ **Mike Shay** and his wife **Mardie** have just had twin girls. He adds that he hasn't slept this little since the days of all-nighters in the Butt Club. Mike started an auction business in Sag Harbor, NY, and has combined that with a small law practice. ▼ I had a call from **Fred Lyle** recently. Fred has been living in Charlottesville, VA, while his wife has been attending U.V.A. Law School. A number of years ago, Fred produced the



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television show *Miami Vice* as well as *The Untouchables*. The actor Don Johnson liked his work and has recently asked him to come out to San Francisco for six months to produce his new TV show *Nash Bridges*. ▼ **Tim Tenney** joined the GDA Board of Trustees this summer and hosted a cocktail party at his family's vacation house near Woodstock, VT, where the Board met for the weekend for a planning retreat (or *advance*, as we like to call it). ▼ For those of you who were in Moody House freshman year, you will remember our dorm proctor **Tim Keeney**. He has just become the head of the Department of Environmental Management in Rhode Island. I have some land management issues on my property in Portsmouth, RI, and can't believe I have to ask him yet again for permission to do something. The big difference this time around, of course, is that giving out a detention is big time!

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**Bob Jaffe**: "Produced a play for families *Lunchroom Tales: A Natural History of the Cafetorium* written by and featuring singer/songwriter/storyteller Bill Harley. It opened to enthusiastic reviews and standing ovations in its two-week run at Trinity Repertory Company in Providence, RI. Now making plans for touring the show." ▼ **Tom Price**: "Plugging along happily with wife and four kids in my old hometown of Jamestown, NY. Am manager of an abstract and title company near here. Visited GDA in June '95 for the first time in many years. Saw a bunch of mellowed Class of '70ers. My kids are *my life* for now, and have been worth every minute. My wife is the accomplished one — a national figure skating judge and college English teacher."

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**W. Jed Lee**: "Had a great time at the 25th Reunion. Hope Julian had a great time visiting the U.S. after the Reunion. Thanks, Scott, for the whale boat ride.

Thanks to Barry B. and GDA staff." ▼ **Andrew Nelson**: "I enjoyed our Class Reunion and especially enjoyed seeing those I had not seen since graduation, including **Julian Ellis** and **Jed Lee**, as well as those I see too rarely, such as **Russ Cohen**." ▼ **Mario Rivera**: "I'm living in Margate, FL, with my wife Frances and two children Kristoffer and Krystle. I really feel badly that I missed our 25th Reunion, but other commitments could not be broken. I am the Corporate Credit Manager for a manufacturer of kitchen, dining room equipment and playgrounds. I also assist consumers in restructuring their debts so they can get out of debt and save them thousands of dollars of interest."

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**Bill Frost** reports that he is still in the tennis business. He accepted a coaching position for Endicott College men's and women's teams. Bill still lives in Beverly. After 20 years with the Bass River Tennis Club, Bill has resigned and is exploring other tennis jobs and markets. ▼ **Michael Driscoll** is in his sixth year of producing trade shows in Russia and eastern Europe. In June, Mike produced a computer show, *COMTEK Ukraine*, in Kiev. In his spare time, Mike can be found playing his guitar in his basement studio or boating on his new SeaRay with his wife and two children in Long Island Sound. Mike and his family live in Redding, CT. ▼ **Jack Halloran** has returned from the Navy (October '94) and has moved to the San Francisco Bay area. In November 1995, Jack got married. He is currently exploring career opportunities in aviation. That is, he is looking for a flying job. ▼ **Jud Crook** is working as a systems engineer for EDS in Columbus, OH. He, his wife and two girls live in Upper Arlington, OH. ▼ Life in Libertyville, IL, is much the same. **Geoff Durham** and the family are fine. Wife Jana keeps busy with daughter Andrea (eight) by being the Brownie Leader and doing volunteer work at Andrea's school. Jana and I have moved on from the fund-raising chairpersons for the local Parent-Teacher

Organization and are now the treasurers. We raised most of the money the last two years; now we want to be on the spending end for a while. I am still with Allstate Insurance Company in Northbrook, IL. I celebrated my 20th anniversary with the company this past June. The 25th Reunion is on the calendar, and we are looking forward to another great trip East.

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**Geoff Peters**: "I am a management consultant with A.T. Kearney, based in Chicago. I enjoy life near Wrigley Field and spending time with my wife Debra and children Kara (10) and Kevin (eight). Any classmates in Chicago are invited to stop in!" ▼ **Fred Sargent**: "Still agree with Mike True that it is fun to run. Competed for a seventh year on the UNUM corporate track team in the 800m and 1600m distances. My times have slowed considerably from the GDA years, but it serves as a good excuse to get out and train hard. Ran three races in two days at the National meet in San Diego in July." ▼ **Dorcie (Barry) Storms**: "I just retired from the Army after 20 years and recently moved to Tampa, FL, with my husband and Jennifer (19), Jessica (15) and Aaron (14). Trying to readjust to normal living. Would love to hear from any of you in the area (or not in the area)! Where are you all? Maybe a new GDA directory will come out.... E-mail dstorms@juno.com — gotta keep up with technology!!"

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▼ **Craig Laub**: "Bought a house in Potomac, MD, in October '95. Married Kerry Wilson in March '96. Honey-mooned scuba diving and sightseeing in Honduras.



# '75

**David Cain:** "From paradise to paradise. We moved from Maui, HI, to Sunapee, NH. Selling lots of homes in our development here on Lake Sunapee, two miles from Mt. Sunapee ski area. Three great kids and wife.... Life doesn't get much better than this." ▼ **Kingsley Goddard:** "A tough year for growers and

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farmers. Look for us at the country fairs with our show sheep." ▼ **Michael Harding:** "Got married September 2, 1996 to Gretchen Bear and am living and playing in Seattle. Please visit!" ▼ **Dan Morris:** "Have a new and better job. Finally got sick of depending on sales for income. Back now to a 9-5er! I am a corporate relocation counselor and still work for/with Weichert Realtors. I love it; it's a position that I've wanted for a while." ▼ **James O'Donnell:** "It was great to play in the rain at Myopia Hunt Club in the GDA Allies Golf Tournament. Coach Moonves is still trying to help me with my jump shot. Also saw friend and classmates **Craig Clark** for dinner recently." ▼ **Michael Sapuppo:** "First child, Sophia Louise Sapuppo, born on May 10, 1996 — 6 lbs., 6 oz. Mother, father and baby are healthy and very happy!"

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**Bob Torr** writes, "Still living in Swarthmore, still doing that medical sales thing. After being in the O.R. for approximately 100 births in the past year, I have come to two conclusions: Women



**September event:** Trustee Josiah Welch '47 and his wife Donna welcome Noreen and John Pramberg '74 to the Leadership Society Dinner.

have men beat hands down in the pain threshold arena, and I am glad I am a man. Have been playing in the real estate investment market, trying my hand as a landlord. Up to eight homes thus far and hope to keep going. May need to bring in **Dave Ham** to hit the big time. The J24 and Laser sailboats sit in the backyard. Thinking of making the '24 into a flower planter. Anyone online: btorr@aol.doc. Hope all is well." ▼ **Ted Babcock** is working way too hard. "Who would have thought I'd become a workaholic. Not I." He sees **Rick Lee** all the time. Ted does a lot of business with his company. Rick is at Hollywood Digital, a post-production facility. He has a wife and two kids. Ted does plan on returning **Chip Weickert's** call, and he talks to **Steve Pingree** every once in a while. ▼ **Sam Adams** writes, "Hello to everyone! I have recently re-married (August 1) to a wonderful man. I'm practicing chiropractic (13 years now), the last two years in Lexington, MA. Practice is fun and successful. I have a beautiful seven-year-old daughter, Ariana. Starting second grade. All's well, living in Concord." ▼ And don't forget, our 20th Reunion is just around the corner. Mark your calendars for a fund weekend June 13, 14 and 15.

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**Charlie Atkinson:** "I'm still at Kodak, with my wonderful wife Leslie (almost three years now). I manage about 40 people, aligning the optics in the AXAF-I, which is the next in NASA's great observatories, after the Hubble Space Telescope. AXAF images x-rays, which will help our understanding of the age of the universe and how stars are formed. It's due too be launched in 1998. Hello to everyone." ▼ **Helen Mackay-Smith Mazarakis:** "I've got two kids — George, four and a half, and Anna, two and a half. I'm working part time consulting to non-profit community development groups. We're finally making the move to the 'burbs (after nine years in Brooklyn and 12 in N.Y.C.!) to Montclair, NJ. Thanassis is a managing director of Alexander and Alexander (insurance brokerage firm). I saw **Dean Harrison**, who lives pretty close by, last winter. Heard from **Sally Lee** last week, who is still painting, working at MIT and living in Danvers. We've got three of her paintings!" ▼ **Hossein Sadeghi:** "An update on my family: I got married on June 30, 1988 to Golnar Raissi and was fortunate to have my father present at the wedding since he passed away six months later. Our first child Ali was born on December 20, 1990 in Australia. After finishing medical school and working for one and a half years in Australia, I returned to the United States and finished my pediatric training at the Medical College of Virginia in Richmond. Our daughter Donya was born May 31, 1995. I was hoping to attend out 15th Reunion in Byfield, however, with the birth of Donya and moving to New York, it was impossible. Now I am working at New York Medical College and subspecializing in pediatric pulmonology. I visited GDA a couple of years ago; it has developed a lot and looked impressive." ▼ **Jeff Segil:** "Finishing last year of training as Chief Resident in OB/GYN at University Hospital of Cleveland. My wife Stacey is due in September with number three. Ben (six) and Helen (three) are very excited. Starting the job hunt for next year. We hope to move back to New England."



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**Richard Aronosian** writes, "Had a great time at Reunion. I stayed in Eames in a room next to **Dave Brown**, just like when we lived in cottage. **Mike Reilly** was on the other side. The dorm was coed, with a large Class of '91. They were wild, and I made some new friends. Saturday afternoon I went on **Tom Johnson's** boat with Dave, **Sergio, Swilly, Kath O'Leary,** and **Lisa Louden**. I was treated with much food and drink all weekend, and the campus looks great. See you in five years. P.S. It's too cold in Tampa, so I'm moving to Fort Lauderdale!" ▼ **Peter Brandli** had a great summer. He wrote just before heading up to Mike Reilly's bachelor party, which sounds as though it was a weekend celebration. "Party Friday night at the Harvard Club, golf Saturday and 'something a little more traditional' Saturday night — could be trouble! Looking forward to the wedding in Utica, NY, Labor Day Weekend. Sorry I missed Reunion." ▼ **Daniel Cross'** wife Suzanne wrote to say they had a great time at Reunion. "We received good parenting advise from **Eric Adell**, as we are expecting twins January 1, 1997. And David Brown prepared us for the sleep deprivation we will face. Daniel has realized his life will be changing dramatically, so we have been traveling a lot this summer—visiting Cape Cod, fly fishing in Montana, canoeing in the Adirondacks and sailing in Maine...with Ensign (the dog) in tow. He's been our faithful traveling companion as Dan pilots a single-engine plane when we are traveling on the East Coast." ▼ **Clarissa Dane** wrote telling of an exciting trip to Europe, visiting her biological family. "My biological mother, father, two sisters, and brother are scattered all over Europe — Paris, South of France, Switzerland and Greece. I am now writing the insisted-upon book! That will take some time. I am doing another album as well. It will be under my own name, as I am now divorced after a three year, much separated marriage. It was an amicable split, which is nice." ▼ **Keller Laros** wrote, "Aloha Jenny! Life in Hawaii is great. Wendy and I had our first child on April 26. Russell is a fine, healthy baby. He sleeps through the night and is a

great joy to us. I've been writing a book on manta rays, which we hope to complete by the end of '96. We're also developing a TV show called "Hawaiian Diving Adventures," which we hope to sell to a national cable company in late '96 or early '97. I talk to Larry, Brownie and Red pretty often. Take care. Best Fishes!" ▼ As always, I loved hearing from everyone. Here in scenic Boxford, we are all doing well and looking forward to fall. Abby is doing one more year of pre-kindergarten, so we aren't going to be slaves to the school calendar until next fall. My brother **Michael Graf '84** will be getting married September 21st in Boothbay Harbor, ME — an event I'm really looking forward to! Please keep the letters, calls and postcards coming. It's always great to hear from old friends!

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**Darrah (Shula) Bryans** is now studying at Doemans Fachakademie in Munich, Germany. She is studying to be a brewmaster! Cool. Darrah married her husband Darryl at the GDA Chapel on December 31, 1994. ▼ **Robert T. Low:** Now that oddboy has a career in academics, he's "Robert T." instead of Bobby. He writes, "Just finished another busy summer of Cardigan Mountain summer school and then lacrosse camps. Two weeks of 'decompression time' before Holderness starts. Where is **Jon 'Rooster' Andrews**? Enjoyed attending the dedication of the lower fields to Bob Anderson this spring. Hello to everyone!" ▼ **John Krigbaum:** Kriggy and soon-to-be-wife Wendy will do their darndest to get up to GDA for the Reunion! **Bill Dee** is working at the same law firm as Wendy in N.Y.C., so Kriggy has been able to see and catch up with him lately. ▼ **Chapman Mayo:** "Lohini and I are enjoying parenting like many GDA grads. Hugh Armstrong Mayo, born May 5, 1995. We're expecting #2 on September 30, 1996. I am finishing my M.B.A. at the University of Minnesota this August. Night school is rough with kids! Looking forward to Re-

union!" ▼ **Karen M. Jantzen:** "Not a whole lot is new — just very busy these days. Trying to make it to Reunion, but am unable to commit until closer to the time. Would love to see **Stacey Hayes,** **Will Friend** and **Kevin Hulse.**" ▼ **Cornelia Woodworth:** "Brett and I have moved to the Bay area. I am working as a program manager for Hewlett Packard's Network Server Division. We love it here. Can't believe it took us this long to get out here." ▼ **Derrick Perkins:** (Another Hamiltonian!) "I married Michele Wing on August 3, 1996, and we are living in Hamilton. We are looking forward to the Reunion!" (Derrick must have written this on his honeymoon!) ▼ **Ann Rooney:** "I am



**At the Mansion House:** John Leary '82 introduces his guest, Sharon Doherty (left) to classmate and Trustee Ann Rooney at the Leadership Society Dinner in September.

definitely planning to be at Reunion, along with my fiancée Dan McShea. Actually, he'll be my husband by then!" ▼ **Jeanne Bateman:** "Not much to report other than I got a really cool tattoo and am trying out for *Jeopardy*. Living back on the East Coast for two years, after some time in Utah and California. Hello to Bob Low, **Howard Moore, Annie L.** and **Kim Newby.**" ▼ **Sloan Tyler:** "Been transferred to Boston! Madison is nearly two and has been sleeping in a 'big girl bed' (ever since she fell out of her crib!). Love being back in the old stomping ground!" ▼ **Demetri Vlahoulis:** "I'll see you at the next Class Reunion. I've been working as a civil trial attorney for a firm in San Clemente, CA, and surprisingly I have a life outside of work. The surfing has been great! This summer my brother Christos and I searched for the golden fleece in Greece on mountain bikes in my family's village, Samarcia. Yasou!" ▼ **Will Friend** has a new job. "After 13 years in the marine industry,



I'm now a construction coordinator for Boston Development Associates, Inc. in Westwood, MA. It's been four months, and I love it. Daughter Emily is keeping us busy. We have spent a lot of time on the beach in Annisquam, where we occasionally run into the likes of **Johnnie Egan**, wife Dawn and Johnnie the V (age 14 months) and **Erica (Norton) Lewis** and her two children." He is planning to be at Reunion and is hoping for 100% turnout. Will also asks, "Who is on the Reunion Committee?" ▼ **Claire (Dober) Danaher** is in Connecticut and looking forward to our 15th (eek!). "Shall we take a pool on whose hairline has receded the most? In May, I graduated from the Yale School of Management, and am now a master of public and private management. I have joined the Yale School of Medicine's Office of Planning and Budget as a financial analyst and am enjoying my work. My husband Bill was ordained a priest in the Episcopal Church in February and is a full-time Ph.D. student in religious ethics at Yale and a part-time Yale Episcopal chaplain. We celebrated our sixth anniversary in June! I keep playing and writing music. How about a pick-up concert at Reunion?" Claire's e-mail address is [claire.danaher@yale.edu](mailto:claire.danaher@yale.edu). ▼ **Marc Rasbury**: "1996 has been a busy year for me! I got married in October, bought a coop in Manhattan and started a new job. My wife's name is Tanya and she is a lawyer for N.Y.C. Corporation. I now work for Kreisler Borg Florman, the fifth largest construction management firm in the tri-state area. I head the Environmental Engineering Division. Tanya and I will definitely be at the 15th Reunion!" ▼ **Martha (Lawlor) Krauch**: For once, I am not making this up; she actually sent a response. "Still enjoying living in Chelmsford with husband Gary and daughter Emily. Juggling a half-time teaching schedule with motherhood. So far, the first three days were fine, despite the one-week advance notice I got that the Westford school system was hiring me. Looking forward to seeing everyone at Reunion." ▼ **Steve Boyd**: "Wife Natalie and I just celebrated our seventh wedding anniversary. She is a lawyer and in November will be starting a new position with the Environmental Protection Agency in Philly. Our son Jacob was born last October and he became my new full-time job. I am the Information Systems Coordinator at Universal Imaging and do most of my work out of my home. Check out my personal server at [www.image1.com](http://www.image1.com). Steve's e-mail address is [spoyd@swgroup.com](mailto:spoyd@swgroup.com). ▼ **Ted Larned**:

"No changes in my life. I still live in Grand Rapids, MI, and work at Irwin Seating Co. Everyone who has ever been to a movie has sat in our chairs. Yes, we make the kind that rock and yes, we have cupholders. I am also playing a lot of tennis, golf, beach volleyball and anything else to be outside and healthy. I am looking forward to our Reunion and will definitely be there." Ted's e-mail address is [tlarned@irwin-seat.com](mailto:tlarned@irwin-seat.com). ▼ **Rick Brown** will finish ophthalmology residency in June. He will move from New Orleans to Lewiston, ME, to begin a practice there in September. He will be married to Anne Cole of Portland, ME, and New Orleans, on July 20th.

'83

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**Alex Cawley**: "Life in beautiful Vermont with a one-year-old son (Austin) and a 100-year-old house is never dull for me and my wife Nerissa. It's great to be able to give lots of attention to both! I'm excited to make my career jump from social work to real estate complete this year. I have decided to hang my license here in town (Waterbury). I'm walking distance away from Ben and Jerry's. Eat your heart out!" ▼ **Heidi Heasley Ford**: "We had our first baby, Nathaniel Leighton Ford, on October 27, 1996. He is a very happy and easy going baby!" ▼ **Christopher Ginsberg**: "My wife Cynthia and I recently purchased a home in Kingston, NH." ▼ **Drew Hoffman**: "Living in Marblehead with my wife Kate and daughter Alex, who just turned two on May 30. Expecting second child early in 1997. David is doing very well. Just bought a house in Wellesley with his wife Kathy." ▼ **Danielle (Schwartz) Jacobs**: "Haven't seen a word about the Class of '83 in *The Archon* in ages. Rather depressing! I'm doing great — living in Marblehead with my husband Dave and staying home with my one-year-old son Drew. He's adorable (Drew. Well, Dave, too, but I'm biased!)." ▼ **Susan Studley Sanidas**: "August 17, 1995 our son Austin Robert was born. It is hard to believe it has been a year, it was a wonderful one. I love my full time job being mom, he keeps me very busy. Brett is doing great in his private law practice. Our best to everyone. If you're on the Cape, look us up." ▼ **Karen (Gronberg) Schulte**: "Lots of news: I bought a two-family home in Roslindale the end of May which is turning into my own 'This Old House'

series. I married a great guy on August 24, 1996: John Schulte. He is a financial analyst for Fleet in the corporate properties division. We also saw **Caroline Krause, Flash, Lori Whitney** and Sue Sanidas at our wedding, as well as **Becca Lapham's** on August 17."

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The new Scerbo arrived at 1:06 am on August 13. Dan and I arrived at the hospital at 12:50 am. We were too close for comfort to a highway delivery! We have another boy — Andrew Riley Scerbo. We are calling him Drew. He was 7 lbs., 8 1/2 oz. and 21 inches long. He is a really easy baby. He sleeps a lot (actually five hours in a row at night already) and hasn't had a fussy time yet! Sean has really taken well to him, too. He doesn't want to go anywhere without Drew. I am home now until next year, although I am planning to telecommute a couple days a week starting in October or November. We'll see how it goes. ▼ **Betsy Tuthill Farrell** has a new arrival as well. She and husband Tom had a boy — Patrick Joseph — on June 9. He was 7 lbs., 13 1/2 oz. ▼ **Charlotte Johnson Amorello** and her husband Matthew just returned from their honeymoon to Turkey and Greece. They were married on July 20 and delayed their trip so that Matt could finish up the legislative session in the Massachusetts State Senate (he's a G.O.P. Senator from the Grafton area). ▼ This was a big year for **David Carlson**. He graduated from the Boston University M.B.A. program, bought a house in Wenham, MA, and got engaged to Carol Harlow! He sends a "hello" to all. ▼ **Gerry Tallman** and his wife Heather had their first child, a son — Austen Breed Tallman on July 4, 1996. They are living in Randolph, VT. ▼ **Ted Werner** is working for a private investment banking company in Charlotte, NC. He and Karen try to return to the Boston area three or four times a year to visit with family and friends.



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## '85

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**Robert Cloutier:** "Moved to Philadelphia. I'm an emergency medicine resident at Medical College of Pennsylvania. Being an intern is a lot of hard work and at times very scary, but I wouldn't want to be doing anything else. Working in an inner-city emergency department has been a little eye-opening, as you might imagine. My wife Nicola is working very hard as an OB/GYN intern at Temple. At times we go five days without seeing each other. We've purchased a house outside of Philadelphia and enjoy it very much." ▼  
**Dinah Daley:** "I returned home last month to run the Boston Marathon. I was pleased with my time of four hours, especially due to the large number of runners participating in the 100th. It was a great experience, and I look forward to running more marathons!"

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**Christopher Twomey:** "Finishing business school at Cornell this May. I'm starting a job as a sales-trader with Montgomery Securities in San Francisco this August. If that's not enough, I'm getting married on Block Island this September."

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Hello, Class of '87! First, thanks to everyone who wrote back to me. I sense a change in our world: Goodbye little GDA postcard; hello, Internet. It was fun to hear from some of you that way. ▼ O.K., here's the news that's fit to print: Lyndsay Rowan writes, "I'm still in

Jackson, working at the Snake River Institute, running the kids program and teaching. I've learned how to kayak, but I have yet to run the 'Big Kahuna' (the local rapids). I'm doing my art, and in fact I'm illustrating a children's book! It was written by a local woman and is a fairy-tale that takes place here in Jackson. There is no guarantee that it will be published, so don't rush off to the bookstore yet, but I think it's really good — it has fairies, elves, goblins, a mermaid/mermen, trout rodeo (Lyndsay, I hope you will explain what that is at Reunion....), a fairy square dance and a very special golden aspen leaf. Also, I saw the President while he was here. Okay, I saw his car drive by." ▼ From **Jeff Katz:** "Jennie (my fiancé) and I moved into an apartment complex, Grenada Highlands, together back in May. As for the rest of the summer, I'd normally be mountain bike racing, but the bike shop that sponsors me let me off this season so that I could prepare for my wedding, October 6. Knowing what I know now and all that goes into a wedding, I wish I had raced all summer to avoid all the headaches. But seriously, I'm excited about the wedding celebration, especially the honeymoon in Barbados. I recently ran into **Chris D'Orio**, at the World Trade Center (Boston). He just started working for Fidelity. I also saw **Kirsten Flagg** in Newburyport, helping out her parents during one of the festival weekends. Finally, if **Glen DiStefano** reads this issue, I'm not mad at him for missing the engagement party!" ▼ **Lisa Carrigg** wrote from New York City, "I finished the Interactive Telecommunications Program at New York University in the spring (well, except for my final project, which is in the works). I have been doing a lot of freelance graphic design and web site design/programming. You can check out my labor of love at [www.girlsonfilm.com](http://www.girlsonfilm.com)." ▼ **Lisa Taplin** reports from Eugene: "I have enrolled in the University of Oregon's electronic publishing program and am learning graphic design, printing and publication design. I live in Eugene, OR, now and love it. I have a job as the D.T.P./Network Administrator at a real estate company to pay the bills, and I am also organizing a literary series at a small bookstore in Eugene. Hopefully, I will be moving back East in fall '97. Also, I say Happy Birthday to Ann Blair..." ▼ Speaking of **Ann Blair**, she tells me, via

old fashioned red and white postcard, that she is still busy in California, preparing for her wedding to Jonathan Silvers in October. She has some help from **Allison Richard**, who is a bridesmaid, but not before she visits Costa Rica in August. So, Ann, will we finally meet this guy at Reunion? ▼ **Big news!** **Jeff Ashworth** is finally back in town! He writes that he has moved to Newton with his girlfriend Stacy, and works with his brother Rob ('89) in the family business. Unfortunately, Florida must have fried Jeff's brain, since he mentioned a Red Sox pennant race (?). That's about all the "official news" I got from '87ers, so as usual, I'll fill in some gaps with dirt I just happen to know about local-yokels. ▼ And of the particularly yokelly locals, **Rocky** and **Taco** are still surviving as respected businessmen around town, Rocky at the Exeter Handkerchief Company in Exeter, NH, and Jimmy at Lynch's Pharmacy in Newburyport. Sometimes they get mixed up, and boy is it ugly.... ▼ **Paula McCarthy**, on the other hand, has managed to stay quite far from the working world this summer. After quitting her computer-geek job in May, she spent three long weeks on Outward Bound in Utah, which she said was absolutely amazing and incredibly difficult at the same time. But that was the easy part. July and August brought the almost daily dilemma of what to do — beach or boat? I can report that Paula survived these traumas well and is about to rejoin the working world so as to avoid any future crisis with sun and sand! ▼ **Lucy Armstrong** is also struggling through a similarly enviable situation. She and her boyfriend Thilo are spending two weeks cruising around Europe, collecting good chocolates for me. They both work at Massachusetts Financial Services here in Boston, so have earned this particular break. ▼ **Jenn Todd** is still hard at work at Medtronic in Danvers, and is just flying through her M.B.A. program! She and **Karen Kagan** have just moved into what I understand is a huge, beautiful house in Danvers. Party? ▼ I have also moved — flown the parent coop, so to speak! I'm living in Arlington and working downtown at McGraw-Hill. If anyone is in town, please look me up! Most importantly, everyone needs to be in touch with either the GDA Alumni/ae Office or me so we know where to find you for Reunion info. I hope you're all



getting prepared. We can't run, and we can't hide; we are getting old! I think we should lend each other moral support next June as we celebrate this particularly surprising, almost baffling landmark in our lives! Please be in touch. I hope everyone is well!

'88

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**Carlos Brockmann:** "Well, I'm back in life, though not fully recovered. I roamed through South America for a year until I got deported from Cuba one month ago. Tell Cabot he missed the greatest party ever. The first wave of post-Soviet carnivals under threat of war. Now it's back to being a financial analyst for construction projects. Ain't life great!" ▼ **Jordan Bugress:** "I'm living in Newton these days, right down the street from B.C., and working in Boston at Fidelity Investments. I've bumped into **Jim Sullivan** a couple of times at the golf course. (The handicaps are going in the wrong direction.)" ▼ **Mark Edwards:** "It's been a while since my last letter, but this should bring you up to speed. Last September I married Jennifer and this September we are expecting our first child. I am working as an engineer for a medical device manufacturer — Kendal Sheridan — in Argyle, NY." ▼ **Jill Goldman:** "Recently promoted to Marketing and Communications Manager for Corporate Community Development at Fleet Financial Group and am enjoying this challenging new position. Working on promoting the bank's community reinvestment products and initiatives to low and moderate income areas and ethnically diverse populations." ▼ **Elizabeth Leary:** "I am working full time as an artist. Aside from teaching music one day a week, I have been busy at my easel preparing for two shows this fall. The first is a solo show at Governor Dummer (!) opening Parents' Weekend, October 11th. The second is at the William Henry Gallery in East Milton, MA. My mother and I will both be featured at that two-artist exhibition. Best to all." ▼ **Jed Mixer:** "I am headed to Asia for a few months. First, a climbing expedition in Nepal, then I am going to Thailand, China and Vietnam. I hope all is well in the east at the Academy!" ▼ **Meganne Murphy:** "I am currently the Assistant to the Publisher at Research Magazine and

enjoying my job very much. We recently hired **Alexa Wriggins '90** in our advertising department." ▼ **Jenny Reynolds:** "Hi folks! I have been assiduously pursuing my music in the Boston area. (I am frequently at the T.A.M. in Brookline — check the Phoenix) as well as substitute teaching. If anyone wants to buy a tape or get on my mailing list of upcoming gigs, call me in Wellesley. I would love to see people from GDA. **Jill Packard** and **Dave Miller** have driven down to various shows from New Hampshire! It has been great to see them! Congrats to **Erika Sayewich** on her recent marriage! Support local music. I'm hungry." ▼ **Megan Heersink Robinson:** "I taught violin in the Martha's Vineyard schools last year. I married Judas Robinson, an Englishman, on July 6th in Newburyport. Two days later we moved to Freiburg, Germany, where Judas will be studying medicine and I hope to set up a violin studio." ▼ **Julie Miller** is graduating from med school this year and will pursue her residency in pediatrics at Washington University in St. Louis. She asks, "Are there any fellow classmates in St. Louis?"

'89

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Hi there, friends! Thanks so much to all of you who wrote in. As always, it was great to hear from you. I have lots of exciting news to share. You may possibly confuse this issue with the wedding section of *The Times*, but I assure you, this is truly *The Archon* and these really are all our classmates who are getting married. ▼ **Derek Van Vliet** started off the trend when he proposed to Megan Jordan back in April. Megan and Derek have been dating since they both attended Rollins together, and they have been living together in Woburn. Their wedding is planned for next September. ▼ **M.J. Forrest** proceeded to get engaged just a few weeks later, when he proposed to his girlfriend whom he met last summer when living in Pensacola, FL. They are planning a June wedding in Pensacola. ▼ **Pat Riley** quickly followed suit when he proposed to Danielle, his girlfriend of several years. Pat and Danielle have been living together in Ohio and are planning an October '97 wedding. ▼ **Joy Fosdick** got engaged more recently, when her boyfriend Jim proposed in the middle of August. Joy

and Jim have been living together in Orlando, FL. They are planning on moving up to the Boston area and tying the knot on June 20, 1997. ▼ I have also heard that **Kyrie Stevens** was recently married, as was **Amy Russell**. I am sure by the next issue of *The Archon* I will have several more engagement announcements to make, as it seems getting married is a popular thing to do these days! Congratulations to all of you! The pressure is now on for the rest



'89-ers unite!: Three members of the class of '89 helped celebrate the October 21 wedding of their classmate Lauren Jellinek to Sam Flower. From left are Kristin Brown, Max Flower, Ashley Newbert, Lauren Jellinek, Sam Flower and Renee Jespersen.

of us either to get married ourselves or at least find a date to bring to these weddings!!! ▼ **Jennifer Cowles** writes, "Sounds like lots of people are tying the knot! We need to make predictions on who is next. I am still living in Melrose, but still haven't seen **Rob Ashworth** who lives just up the street. B.B.N. Corp. (my company) is keeping me busy, as I just got promoted — still peon work, but of a higher level. It is weird having Jess in town; she even joined my gym. Seems like twins will never differ as much as we think!" ▼ As for **Jess Cowles**, she moved to the Boston area with her boyfriend Bill back in May. She will probably be one of the next ones mentioned in the "wedding section." ▼ **Alex Moody** sent in his news: "I have owned two companies since I have graduated as well as working as a computer specialist for my mother's property management company. One of my companies did a nose dive and the other is going really well. That company is EE&G Research Company, and it specializes in financial and educational consulting, planning and investing. I am also a licensed securities trader through a brokerage house in California and have almost \$400,000 worth of clients. In the fall, I am headed back to graduate school in financial planning and will be a



# CLASS NOTES

certified financial planner in one year. I also coach the varsity hockey team at Austin Prep. I see **Kevin Lydon** all the time and would like to say a special hello to Zartarian, Sully, Noel, M + E LaCroix, D'Orio, Vachon, Yeagley, Daily and big T Brown, who just had a tryout with the Atlanta Hawks. Unlike many of my classmates, I have no plans for marriage until I get that first luxury car like the ones that surrounded me at GDA and Colby!" Thanks for the newsy letter, Alex! ▼ As for **Rob Zartarian**, the last I heard from him he was still living in Alaska and had dropped out of the university because he was making "great dough working as a floor installer." ▼ **Rick Fox** wrote that he is living with his girlfriend in Washington, D.C. He is working for I.S.A.R., a non-governmental organization that supports environmental organizations in Russia and other former Soviet Union countries. They were planning on relocating to Siberia for one or two years to open an office for I.S.A.R. and Jen (his girlfriend) for an education project for Siberian kids. He can always be reached at rickfox@igc.apc.org. ▼ **Adam Barton** and his wife Amanda seem to be enjoying married life. Adam is studying for his master's at Columbia in international development. He and his wife spent part of this past summer working in Tajikistan doing health care and relief work respectively. He says despite the "cease fire," the fighting is still very heavy and there are enormous physical needs. They are interested in going back to that part of the world when Adam is finished with his masters. Sounds very exciting, Adam! Good luck with school this year (although we all know you don't need it!). ▼ **Nate Broehl** is working as a food and beverage controller and also serving at Morton's of Chicago in Denver. He is having fun, working hard and loving Colorado. ▼ **Sep Spenlunhauer** wrote that he is living in N.Y.C. and working at Webster Hall Night Club. He is applying to Parsons School of Design for graduate school. If anyone is planning on visiting the City, give him a call at Webster Hall (212/353-1600). ▼ Some news from **Tina Hilliker**: "I am still working at the computer company here in Buffalo, and I just got a promotion. I am doing some marketing for the company, which is fun and exciting." She has been caught up in the wedding hype as well when she was asked to be in a friend's wedding this

past August. She says about her own wedding plans, "Not married yet — I still have to find a boyfriend!" I think there are still a few of us who can relate, Tina! She is also sorry to say that she missed Mariah's wedding. ▼ **Hawley Appleton** is enjoying Cambridge in her little apartment. She is working at her mother's store — Appletons' on Newbury Street — and is planning on studying at Harvard Extension School this fall for her graduate degree in museum studies. She invites you all to drop by the store on 134 Newbury. ▼ **Joerg Rohaus** writes, "Hey, Will H.! Get in touch with me! Schulster 14 / 8206 4 Strasslach / GERMANY." ▼ **Jessica Clapp** is still living in the Upper West Side of N.Y.C. **Ashley Newbert** and I went up to her house in the Adirondacks this summer along with Sean (Jessica's boyfriend) and some of Jess' friends from Montana. It was a great time, even though there was no "DH-ing" going on (Good Lord!). ▼ **Lauren Flower** (nee Jellinek) is enjoying married life, living in Columbus, OH, where her husband is located as a pilot for U.S. Air, and is planning on attending Ohio State this fall. I have enclosed a picture of her wedding party from last fall, which Ashley and Renee and I were in. I cannot believe it was almost a year ago! ▼ As for me, I am crazy busy opening GDA for another school year. I am still in Admissions and living on the third floor of Moody. Come visit me if you are ever in the Newburyport area!

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5TH CLASS REUNION  
JUNE 13, 14, 15

I guess that I should start out this letter by apologizing for the last letter I sent out that asked the members of the Class of '92 to send in their response cards by August 19th. From what I've heard, many of you didn't get your letters until August 20th. Unfortunately, the letters didn't get sent out in time from GDA due to the fact that it was summer and there aren't any student workers in the Alumni/ae Office to help out with the mailings. Anyway, I'm sorry if the letter was more confusing than it was helpful. Now that I've graduated from college, I don't use my brain anymore. With that in mind, I'll stop rambling and get right to the latest news from our classmates. ▼ **Bob LeBlanc** is scheduled to graduate from the University of Connecticut this December with a double major. Right now Bob is running the campus TV station and has work experience at NBC and CBS stations. ▼ Bob's former hockey teammate **Victor Fidler** has entered the education field and is now teaching kids with learning disabilities at The Landmark School. Vic graduated from Elmira with a B.S. degree in hearing and speech therapy and also became involved in an internship teaching at a public school for the hearing impaired. While teaching at Landmark, Vic will be getting his master's degree at Simmons College. ▼ **Justin Philbrick** has become very involved with his family business and is now the business manager of his nursing home. Justin is looking forward to getting back to school this fall and eventually get back towards a career in law enforcement. ▼ **Miles van Rensselaer** worked with **Tim Ghetto** this summer casting human fetuses in bronze and kicking goats, which he described as "great fun." Miles has left Ohio and is now combing the East Coast. ▼ **Stephen Peabody** graduated from Gettysburg and took the summer off, making sure to go to the Jimmy Buffet concert. This fall he moved to Boston with **Chris Peabody** and their buddy Brett, where he will work at State Street Bank and Trust in Quincy. ▼ **Jen Noon** graduated from Bryn Mawr and is now an editor for a



small publisher in Cambridge, where she now lives. Jen has heard from **Kate Atkins**, **Emily Keaney** and **Heather Iram**, who are all doing well. ▼ Heather graduated from Oberlin with honors in psychology. Now she is living in Boston working as an assistant house manager in a group home for multiply handicapped adolescents. Part of Heather's new job involves learning sign language, as many of the kids are non-verbal. ▼ **Joe Montminy** spent the summer in England interning for a law office and taking classes. This fall he will be in D.C. with yet another internship. Joe deferred his diploma from Rhodes College this spring and in turn will receive college credit for each of his internships. Joe will pick up his diploma some time this winter. ▼ **Cara Fineman** graduated from Tufts and is now traveling through South America for the next couple of months. In February, Cara will move to Costa Rica to teach English for a year. ▼ **Grace Jeanes** has moved to Boston, where she works for Investors Bank and Trust. Grace's senior year at Colby included a trip to the E.C.A.C. playoffs for her ice hockey team and an exciting O.T. win over Harvard. ▼ **Gus Mergins** writes, "I'm still here in Wisconsin. Good classes this term. I see **Kate Savage** every day. Heard from **Tyler Maheu**, **Steve Scully**, **Deirdre Heersink** and **Cindy White**." ▼ Deirdre Heersink sent me a postcard this spring, but unfortunately I had already sent the Class Notes out. Deirdre's plan was to eventually move out to San Francisco after graduating from Hamilton. ▼ **Mike Holbrook** went to the Beanpot Tournament with **Nick Tibbetts** and **Keith Moody**. Mike has decided not to play a fifth year of football at B.U. Mike writes, "The body is bruised and tired, so I'm quitting while I can still walk." This year Mike won the award for best offensive lineman on B.U.'s football team. ▼ **Carolyn McInnis** moved to New York and is working for Price Waterhouse as a marketing specialist. ▼ **Erin Elwell** is working in the Amesbury school system as a personal tutor for an autistic child. It's tough work, but Erin says she's getting a lot out of it. ▼ **Brooke Whiting** is in D.C. for the fall, working as an intern and hoping to eventually land a job in landscape architecture. ▼ **Matt Masinter** is working for an accounting firm in Chicago called Altschuler, Melvoin and Glasser. ▼ Finally, **Devin Sullivan** has moved to Boston, where he will be living on Beacon Street and conducting a busy job search. ▼ **Christina Morss**

## Jones Releases CD-ROM With Group "Vanguard"

**J**an Jones '90 has released a full-length CD with his group *Vanguard*. The band's self-titled debut album was completed in September and released on an independent label.

The album contains a blend of musical styles with an emphasis on rhythm and blues. Jones plays guitar, bass and is one of the vocalists for *Vanguard*. The CD cover includes artwork provided by Amy Nicolo '92.

spent the summer doing a research job with the Wolf Education and Research Center in Stanley, ID. She will return to Middlebury in the fall and will graduate in February 1997. ▼ **Sam Nickerson** graduated from Reed and is considering medical school, the Peace Corps and Wall Street (where he has a good job offer). Quite a spread! He has gotten a rigorous training in biochemistry and kept up his Spanish, partly with a semester in Costa Rica and partly by living this year in the Spanish House. ▼ As for me, I am now working part-time as the ninth-grade soccer coach at Notre Dame Academy, a private girls catholic school in Hingham. When I'm not working there, I work part-time at The Gap. Just a reminder: Our Class is next for a Reunion. Time flies, but this June it will have been five years since we jumped the wall. I've already started planning the social events with Mr. Moonves. It should be a great time. The Class of '91 had over 50 classmates come back this summer. That's the biggest Reunion class ever. I say we break the record!

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Well, the summer's pretty much over and it seems like everyone has been having a great time. I spent my summer

here in D.C. with friends, working for the television show *America's Most Wanted*. It was definitely an experience. However, I was not the only one here in our nation's capital. ▼ I saw **Sani Silvennionen '93**, who was here working for the Embassy of Finland. He says that he's having a great time at Yale, still playing hockey and majoring in political science. ▼ **Chunbai Zhang** has spent the last two summers working in D.C. for the National Institutes of Health. He'll be studying biochemistry next year at the University of Oxford, and he invites people to visit him. His address will be Pembroke College, OX1 1DW, England; e-mail is [chunbai.zhang@pembroke.oxford.ac.uk](mailto:chunbai.zhang@pembroke.oxford.ac.uk). Chunbai wants **David Lau** to contact him, as he's been trying to get in touch with him and also wants everyone to know that he has a personal web site at <http://www.haverford.student.edu>. ▼ **Justin Rivera** spent his summer working a lot and is now getting ready to go back to school. He saw **Matt Prunier** and also kept in touch with **Tom Faulkner**, **Dave Costa** and **Cathy Perry**. ▼ **Elizabeth Graff** left Colorado in December and spent spring semester working for a national park in California. She's transferring to Wake Forrest U. in North Carolina this fall. She has seen **Stephanie Kinloch**, Melissa King and visited **Cheri Malo** in New Mexico, where Cheri spent the last year. ▼ **Cara Costanzo** says "hi" to everyone. She has decided to major in journalism and is planning on interning for a newspaper in the fall. ▼ **Karen Hesselbach** worked this summer at Water Country and is looking forward to going back to Gettysburg the end of August. ▼ **Melissa King** spent half her summer taking classes at S.L.U. so she can go to Australia next spring. She also spent time in Andover working. King is playing hockey again and says that **Corie Champagne '93** is returning to S.L.U. in the fall. ▼ **Karen Silver** is ready to head back to St. Louis after spending the summer working. She is hoping to spend spring semester in Israel. ▼ **Damian Prescott** wrote to inform everyone that he and **Brendan Forrest** have dropped out of school to join the circus. (I guess we'll look for them under the big top, huh?) ▼ **Alfonso Garcia** has spent five weeks of his summer at Yale University. He met a lot of people and looks forward to hearing from some of his GDA classmates. ▼ **Alison Martin** and **Lisa Maffei** lived in Boulder, CO, this summer and had a blast. Alison will be back at Union this fall and then to Mexico for the winter. ▼ **John Markos**



has seen King, **Greg Lydon**, **Dan Juden**, **Josh Manring**, **Michelle Dumas** and **Dave Costa** this summer. He would love to hear from **Sani Silvennoinen**. ▼

**Mandy Hirsch** is off to England to study abroad for a semester. She has been busy working in a bank all summer and taking classes at UMass-Boston. ▼ Well, sorry this column is so short. I hope to hear from more of you next time. Good luck this fall.

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The following is from **Jeff Jassmond**, Guest Class Secretary for this issue of *The Archon*: Having heard back from only a few of you, and thanks to a sudden surge in my class load, these notes just barely made it into *The Archon*. I actually got more "return to sender" cards than responses. If this is intentional, I respect your privacy, though if you want to throw some dirt into the Class Notes you need to make sure the school has your current address. ▼ **Ed Guzman** "fulfilled a lifelong dream" when he was given (earned) the opportunity to cover a Dodgers' games as a member of the working media. As part of an internship for a company out of Beverly, MA, Ed got to interview and write pieces on up-and-coming players. His work was then picked up by the players' hometown papers. Congratulations, Ed. You deserve it. ▼ **Dave Wilkens** writes that he "went off the deep end" and now works at a bio-chem lab in Maine developing new forms of textured vegetable protein in hopes of one day finding a "cure for carnivosity." Is that a word, Dave? ▼ **Louis M. Olerio, Jr.** pledged last semester at S.M.U. in Dallas, TX. He claims that his pledgedship at Pi Kappa Alpha is something he won't soon forget, though I hear that they have ways of making you forget. ▼ **Ashley Russell** had a wonderful summer with good friends **Amy Benedict** and **Laurie Carrier**, but not to trivialize the fun the three of them had together, Ashley writes that the highlight was her sister's wedding in late June, where she was the maid of honor. ▼ **Chris Stringer** has been working all summer landscaping and building stone walls. Vacation meant a lot of travel for him, taking him to

Boston, Greece, Colorado, Philadelphia and now back to Oregon, where he plans to skate and snowboard and perhaps attend a class or two. ▼ I ran into **Damon Jespersen** this summer at Maudsley, where he was rehearsing his role in a production of *The Crucible*. He's had enough time away from the academic life and will start classes at Harvard in the early fall. ▼ **Jameson Case** is currently taking care. Enough said. ▼ **Sheffie** (no last name necessary) and I met for pie at the Agawam, and both the pie and Sheffie seemed as good as they ever were. ▼ **Ksenija Topic** is a "friendly sophomore who's there to help the frosh if they need anything" at Haverford. Ksenija, I've never handled anything with grace. ▼ **Zeynep Guchan** is an undergrad Biology T.A. and gets to grade Kristen Marvin's work. Don't get too power hungry, Zeynep. Academia is not something to mess with. ▼ **Ben Ramsey** is rowing on the University of Virginia crew. ▼ **Todd Robbins** is taking an environmental ethics class and is considering changing his major from biology to environmental science. He has been doing some hiking in southern Maine and training for X-C next fall. He looks forward to visiting **Orlando Velazco** in N.Y.C. this summer. ▼ Anyway that's the news from here.... Funny, I didn't hear from **Laura Beth Barnes**. I think she might be hiding, but, my dear, the ball is back in your court for I must scurry back into the mountains. Take care, everyone. To all those I forgot, I apologize. To all those who wanted me to forget, I appreciate it.

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As our sunny summer days change into stress-filled crisp fall ones, we the Class of 1996 have headed off in new and exciting directions. For the first time in years, we must step onto a new campus for registration, getting-to-know-you-

ice-cream-socials and dreaded placement testing. Yes, we are now at the bottom of the social totem pole, the youngest and most clueless in the school; we are once again the freshmen. Instead of sharing our summer pastimes on the quad in front of Phillips, we will do so through *The Archon*. ▼ This summer I enjoyed endless days at the beach and traveling to visit friends scattered around the East Coast. I also spent a week in Ogunquit, ME, with **Aaron Sells**, who worked on a construction crew for the month of June. We also have visited with members of the Class of 1995, **Brian Crowe** and **Nicole Costello**, and have seen a lot of **Dan DiPietro** and his girlfriend Dina. Dina will be joining the crew of **Carla Gottschall**, **Rob Benson**, **Katie Meyer**, **Jason Olbres**, **Aaron Sells** and me at Hobart and William Smith Colleges. So it should be like old home week in upstate New York! ▼ **Jane Livingston** is scared to death about starting at U.N.H. in the fall, where she will be studying marine biology. Jane chose not to work this summer and instead flew to California to be with Bill Rochefort '98. She writes that he is doing fine and that she is only slightly insane. ▼ **Mike Silverio** has already gone through two roommates this summer. This makes him a bit nervous, because college has not even started yet. Well, Mike, I hope everything works out! ▼ **Kate Tierney** writes that her summer work experience as a landscaping assistant has been both hard and humorous. Although pushing a lawn mower for eight hours is difficult, listening to her die-hard landscaping co-worker's solutions to world conflict has kept her light-hearted. She attended the Ben and Jerry's Folk Festival in Newport with Kelley Porter and **Bradley Russell** in August, where they ran into Sue Perry. Kate is very excited to take the train out to the University of Oregon and cannot wait to see the country on the way out. Kate is also convinced that she will meet the man of her dreams in Oregon. I'll mark your word this time Kate! She and I visited **Katie Renna** on Fisher's Island in New York, where she has spent the summer working at a private club on the island. She is living with five other roommates in a beach house. When Katie is not working (which, she writes, is not very often) she is spending time at the beach. She is very excited to attend Boston College and is glad to know that she will still be near the city. ▼ For **Matt Prindiville**, this summer vacation has



been, well, a vacation. He quit his job as a roofer after four days. Matt's parents have been away for a large part of the summer, sailing and on business. Matt chose not to join them, and we all chose to join Matt! Needless to say, his summer was filled with fun and friends.

▼ **Tasneem Nanji** has been working in Florida and "loungin' around here and there." She visited New England briefly and spent time with **Lauren Abernathy**, **Lauren Erwin**, Lauren Carroll, Kelley Porter, **Ariel Ebacher**, Kate Tierney and me one evening at Mara Zanfagna's house for a cookout. Tas is looking forward to being in D.C. and is very excited that Kelley Porter will only be 40 short minutes away from G.W. She wants everyone to be in touch and have fun this year! ▼ **Ray Long** has had a very busy summer. He had a great experience as an intern at Andersen Consulting and delivered papers for a week with his brother, getting up at 4:00 a.m. each morning. The "highlight" of his vacation was when he fell asleep behind the wheel and crashed into a telephone pole. He walked away with three scratches, but the car was totaled. He writes, "God was truly looking out for me." I guess so, Ray! ▼ **Katie Lyons** worked in Maine for the month of July as an au pair for two children. Cooking, cleaning, ironing and serving as a taxi cab driver occupied most of her time. The first few weeks in August she went to California to visit family and since has been home packing and shipping stuff to school in Colorado. Other than that, Katie has been camping, hiking, mountain biking, water-skiing and bungee jumping her way through the summer. ▼ **Jason Rivera** has been hanging out on the beach all day, every day, playing volleyball and surfing. He just picked up his custom surfboard. He designed everything from the shape and fin structure to the paint job. After graduation, Jason traveled to exotic Hawaii for ten days surfing: "It was gnarly!" ▼ **Todd Walters** and **Jeff LaBelle** visited the glorious land of Salisbury Beach, and Jason showed the boys what it is to be a true Salisbarian. He wants to apologize to all those who he meant to keep in touch with from GDA but never did. Also, he had to sell the Ford Fairlane to pay some college bills. But he asks us all not to worry; he plans to buy a new, better old car next year. His roommate at Bentley will be **Ryan Donahue**. He writes, "I miss everybody and wish that I was going to college with our Class, kind of like *Saved by the Bell — The College Years*." ▼ **Kathryn McCandless** writes that this summer was one of the best she

has had in years! She worked three days a week as a preschool teacher's aid — the same program in which she worked for her senior spring term. Kathryn recently completed a course in sign language as well. To relax, **Meghan Carey**, **Jessica Stormont** and Kathryn vacationed in Long Island, ME. ▼ **Kate Manzella** traveled to San Francisco to visit her brother Tony and sister-in-law Steph, who recently had a baby. Congratulations to you both on the birth of your new son Charles! Kate and I celebrated our birthdays, which are one day apart, tailgating at Myopia Hunt Club for the Regional Polo Championships with friends from the Class of 1996. ▼ Our former class president **Scott Coulon** started off the summer selling vacuum cleaners door to door. Soon he found that the position did not fit him all that well, and Scott began silk-screening t-shirts. It came as a shock to those of us who saw Scott in mid-August with his new hair color: He has decided to go platinum blonde. He spent almost every weekend in Ipswich, staying with **Mat Perry** and visiting with all who stopped by to barbecue at Mat's house. Scott plans to study business management at U.N.H. this fall. Does that include door-to-door vacuum sales Scotty!? ▼ **Lauren Carter** will be attending Wheaton College and has been waitressing at a restaurant for the summer. She hopes to study guidance counseling, education or psychology. Good luck, Lauren! ▼ **Mara Zanfagna** will also be attending Wheaton this fall. She spent her summer up in the lifeguard chair at Salisbury Beach. Mara traveled to Long Island, NY, to participate in the All Women Lifeguard Tournament, consisting of swimming, running and paddleboard events. She hopes to continue swimming for the Wheaton Swim Team upon her arrival this fall. Way to go, Mara! ▼ **Todd Walters** was also a lifeguard this summer, at Plum Island. He plans to try out for soccer this fall at Rochester and wants to keep in touch with everyone through e-mail: jw003f@uhura.cc.rochester.edu. ▼ **Lauren Carroll** was aboard her sailboat for a few weeks over the summer months with her family, traveling to Nantucket and Martha's Vineyard. She also worked as a dental assistant and receptionist at her father's dental office. Lauren plans to try out for the field hockey team at Dartmouth this fall. To do so, she must endure a month of pre-season triple sessions. A bit more strenuous than the four days of pre-

season at GDA! Make sure to keep us updated, Lauren! ▼ **Brad Walker** valet parked cars at the Olympics for the badminton events. He will be attending Elmira College for the first semester and then hopes to transfer to a larger school in the City. ▼ Kelley Porter was the hostess at the Sylvan Street Grille in Salisbury. The remainder of her summer was spent on the beach and visiting with GDA friends including **Cat Pear**, who was living in Annisquam and working as a sailing instructor. Cat will be attending U.V.M. this fall, Kelley will be at Gettysburg. ▼ **Mike Shedosky** spent his



**All together now...:** (L-R) Lisa Maffei '94, Josh Lappin '92, Izzy Metz '94, Amy Benedict '95, Nicole Whelan '94 and Amy Collins '95 posed together at a Hobart and William Smith College social function.

summer working the "graveyard shift" (2:30-10:30 a.m.) at a convenience store in New Jersey. Mike, did you know that that is considered the most dangerous job in America? ▼ **Ehsan Kandrikar** spent this whole summer in his home "browsing the Internet and playing cricket on the computer." He is really excited to leave for schooling in Switzerland after a restful vacation. ▼ **Joanie Johnson** started school at San Francisco State University this summer. She is studying film and multimedia. Joanie completed the semester with a 4.0 and obtained 9 units. She is living on Ocean Beach with her cat. ▼ I hope that fall will bring great things for us all. I'd like to thank everyone who sent me postcards, and I hope to hear from the rest of you next time. Good luck, Class of '96, and have fun. My best to you all!







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"Gena and I believe that works of art are valuable tools for students, which is the reason we decided to make a gift of our Charles Woodbury painting, *Little of Snow*. This work is now a part of the GDA collection. By giving this painting, we hope others will be inspired to give to GDA. Donors receive both the satisfaction of giving back to the Academy and a charitable tax deduction, making it a win-win proposition."

The Academy has established an Art Committee, whose purpose is to maintain, preserve and enhance the GDA collection. The Committee includes William Atwell '51, President; Abbot Youngman, Treasurer; Peter Bragdon; Dorothy Youngman; Shirley French TR, P'76; Daniel Morgan '67 and Carl Youngman '60.

For more information about making gifts of artwork to the Academy, please contact Karen E. McGinley, Director of Development, at Governor Dummer: 508-455-1763 or [mcginley@gda.org](mailto:mcginley@gda.org).



# THE GDA STORE

Mail Order 1996-97

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Ash Gray, crew neck, youth "Governors"	\$27.20
Maroon, GDA logo in white	\$33.45
White, GDA logo in maroon	\$31.95
Ash Gray, "Governor Dummer Academy"	\$39.45
Ash Gray, large applique "G" in maroon	\$39.45
Ash Gray, crew neck, children's "Governors"	\$18.45

Ash Gray "Governors"  
Sweatshirt



## SWEATER

Cream, cotton, "Governor Dummer Academy"	\$36.95
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GDA nylon  
supplex jacket



## T - SHIRTS (All are 100% cotton)(S,M,L,XL)

White with red logo/red with white logo	\$15.00
White, various sports logos (please specify)	\$20.00

## SHIRTS (All are 100% cotton)(S,M,L,XL)

White, mock turtle, long sleeve, "G" on back	\$21.95
White, long sleeve, "Non Sibi Sed Aliis"	\$23.95
White, short sleeve polo, GDA shield	\$36.95
White, long sleeve, I.S.L. shields	\$29.45

## JACKETS (S,M,L,XL)

Maroon and white, nylon supplex, GDA logo	\$79.45
Grey flannel, maroon sleeves, "Governors" on back	\$51.95
Maroon Boathouse Crew, nylon supplex, "Governor Dummer Academy" on back	\$91.95
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## CAPS (Choose white with maroon type or maroon/white) (one size)

Available with designations for all sports (please specify)	\$17.45
Cream with maroon visor, "G"	\$15.25
"Governor Dummer Academy" (white only)	\$16.45



GDA Athletic Bag



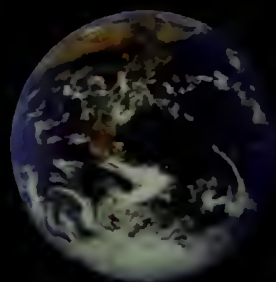
GDA Chair

## SCHOOL SPIRIT

Cross Pen (Gleaming chrome with GDA logo)	\$23.70
Athletic bag (maroon with GDA logo and water bottle)	\$35.90
Tote bag (heavy canvas with Mansion House scene)	\$23.95
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Water Bottle (32 oz., white with maroon GDA logo)	\$3.25
GDA Belt (GDA logo design, assorted sizes)	\$19.45
GDA Key Ring (GDA logo design)	\$7.50
GDA Watch (men's and ladies' models, logo on face)	\$40.00
GDA backpack (maroon with GDA logo, suede base)	\$42.45

Massachusetts residents please add 5% for all non-clothing items. These prices are for mail order products and include shipping and handling. Prices are subject to change without notice. For information and product availability, please call the GDA Store at (508) 462-4298.





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